

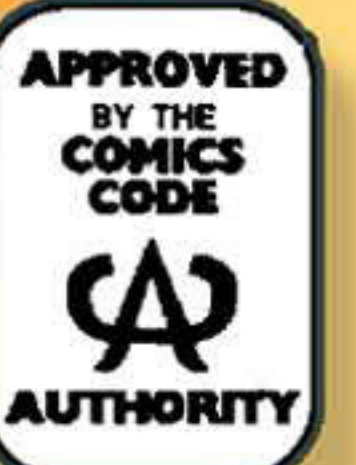
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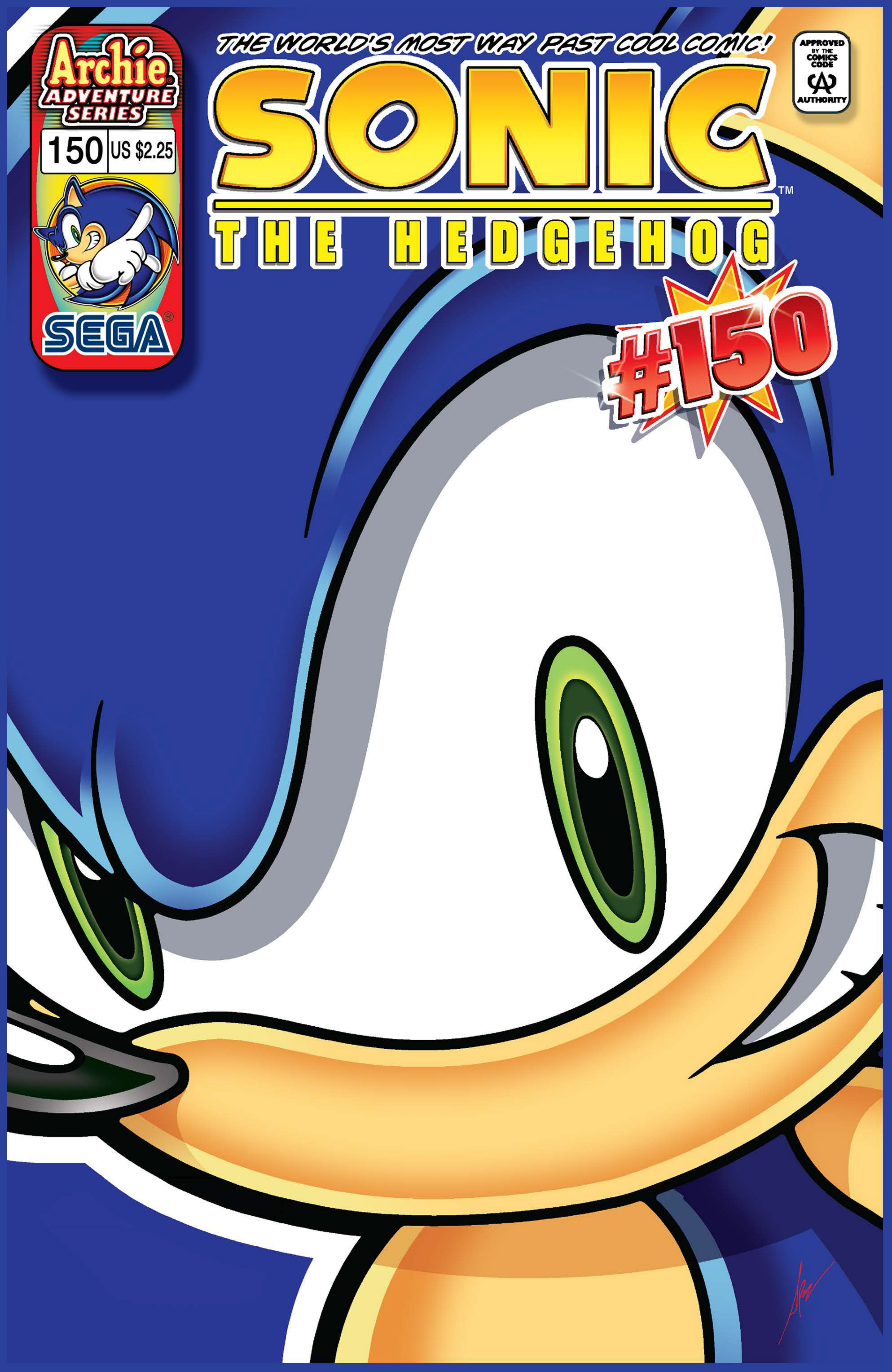
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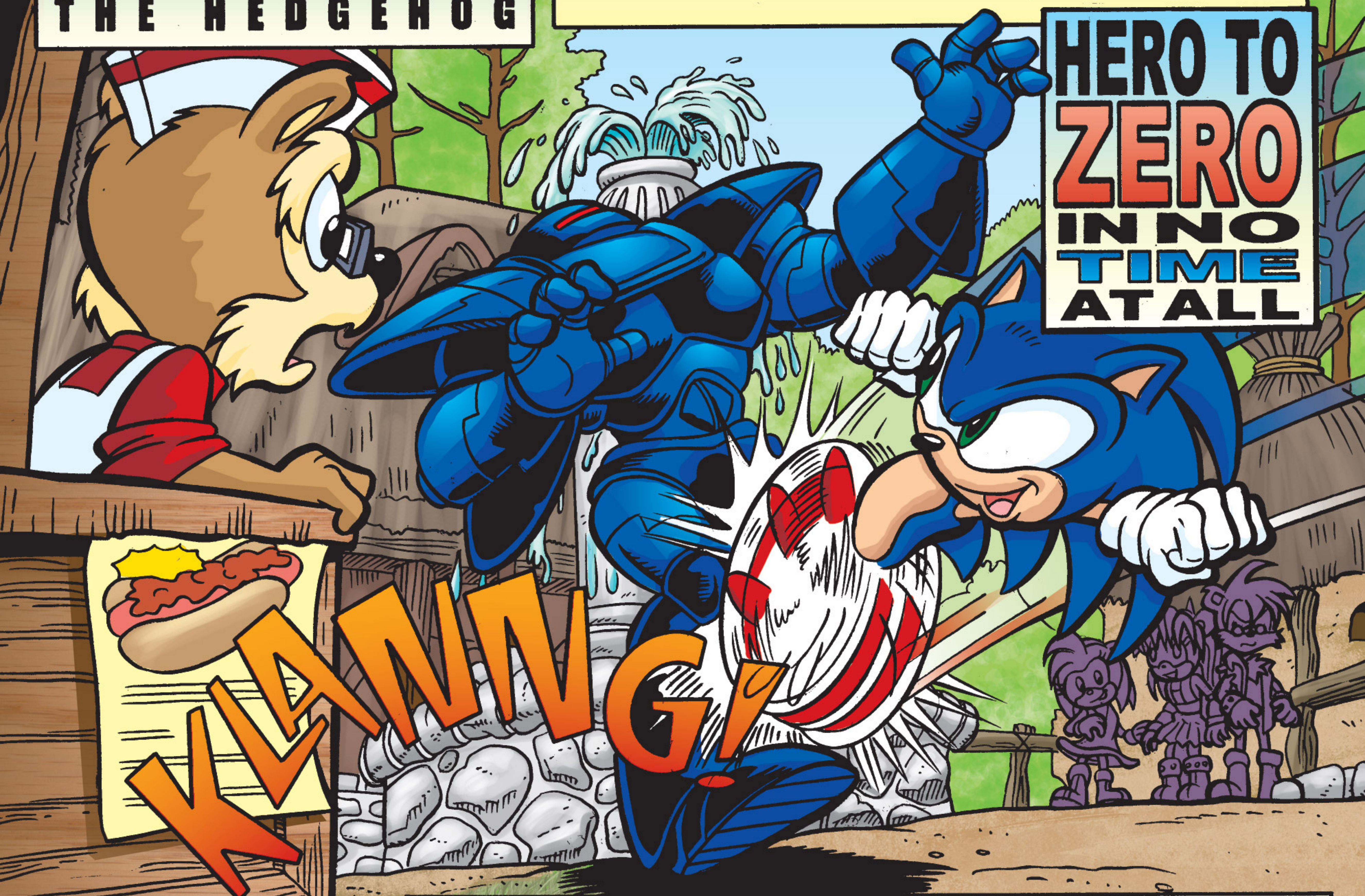


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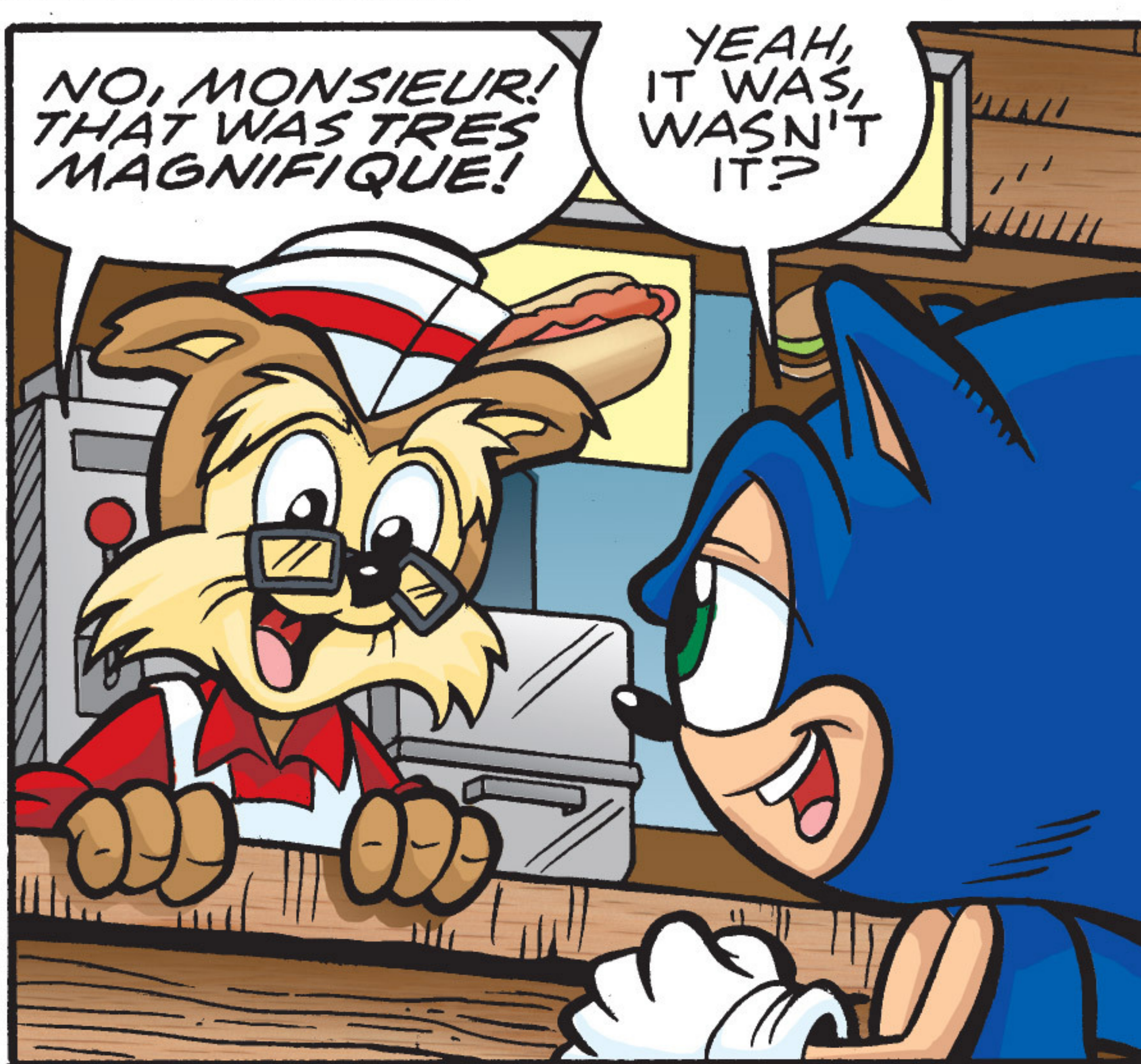
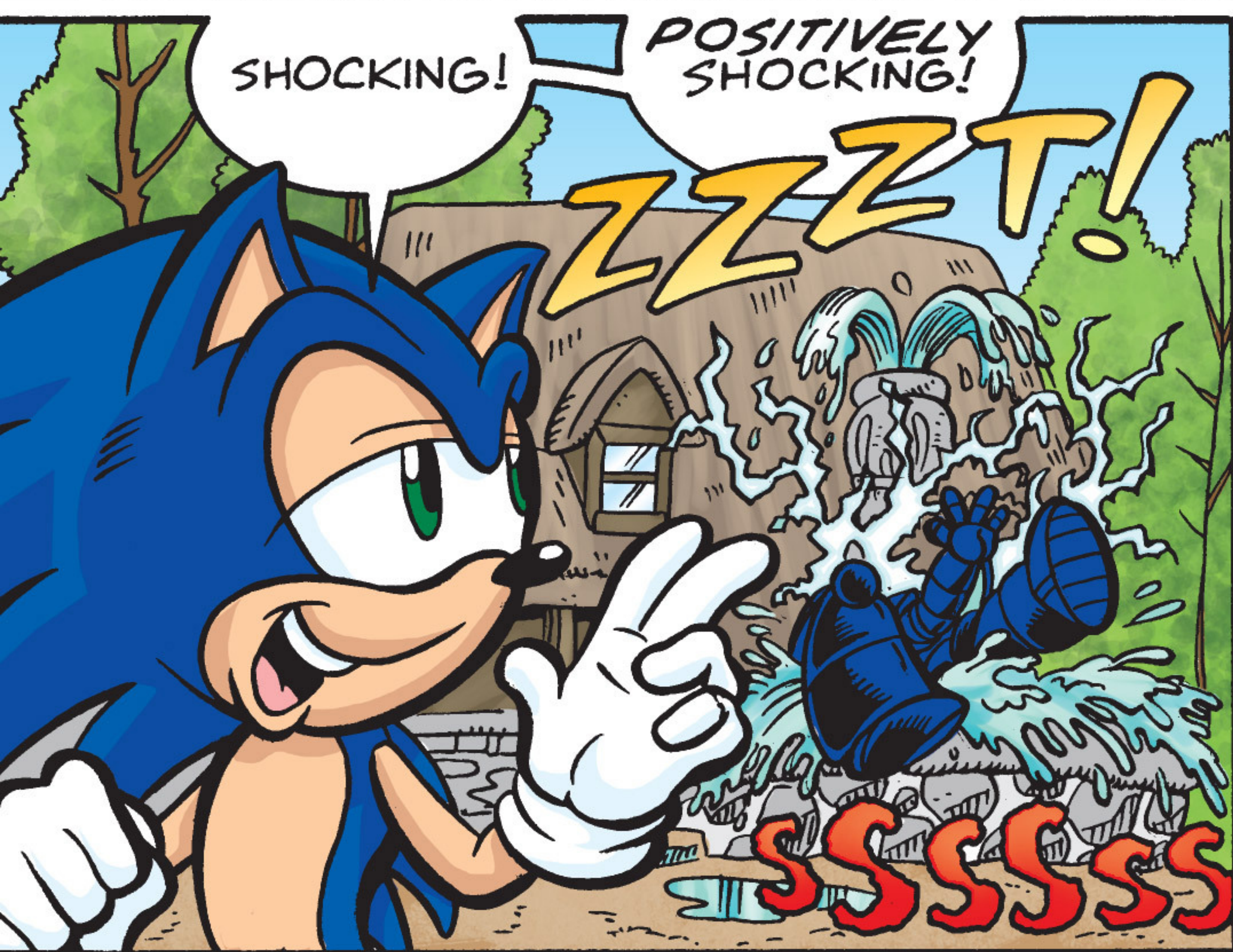
THE PLACE: THE TOWN SQUARE OF KNOTHOLE!  
THE TIME: RIGHT NOW!  
THE ACTION: WELL, THAT SHOULD BE OBVIOUS!  
SO BUCKLE UP AND SEE WHAT HAPPENS TO  
SONIC AND COMPANY IN A THRILLER WE CALL...

# HERO TO ZERO IN NO TIME AT ALL

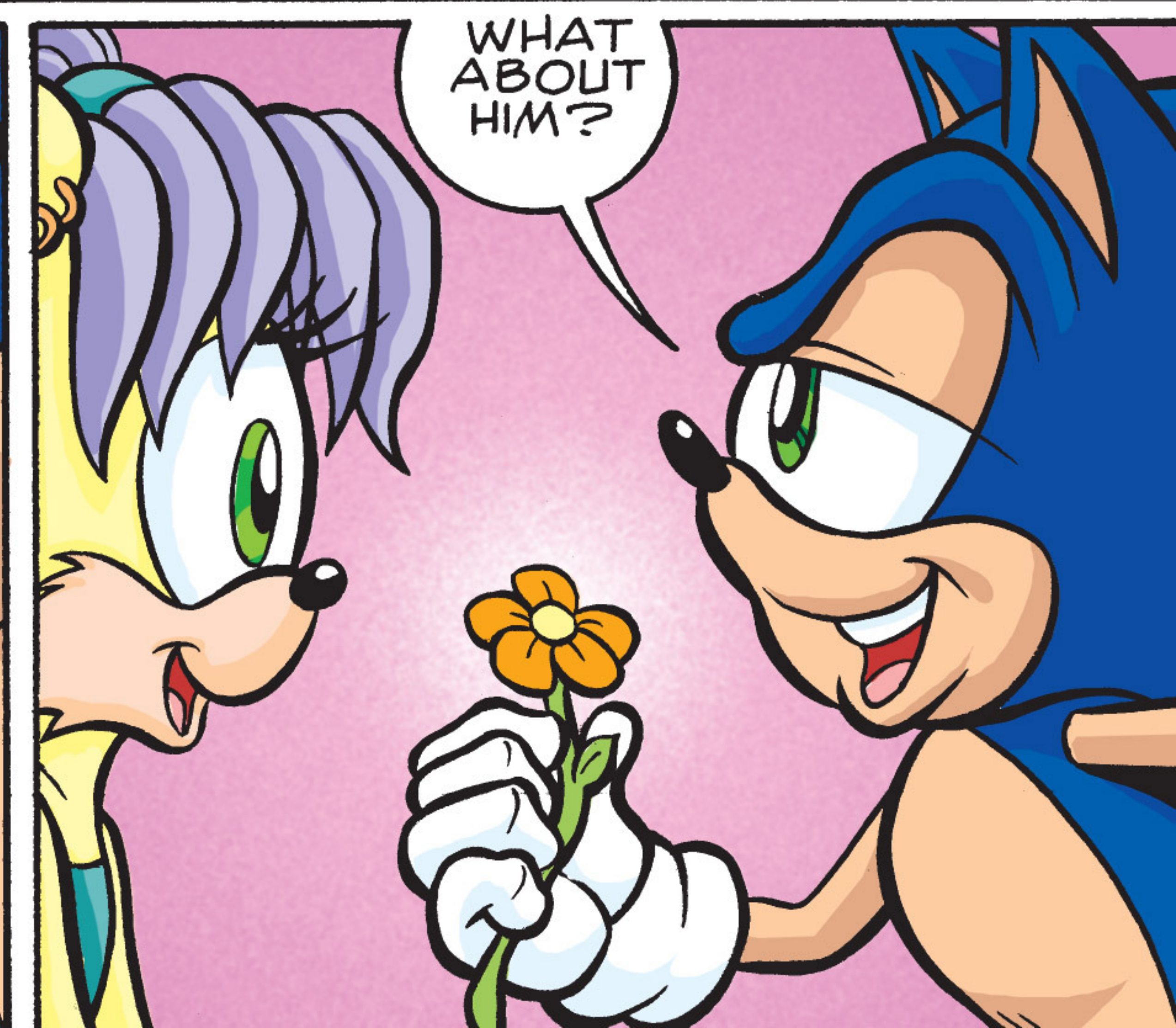
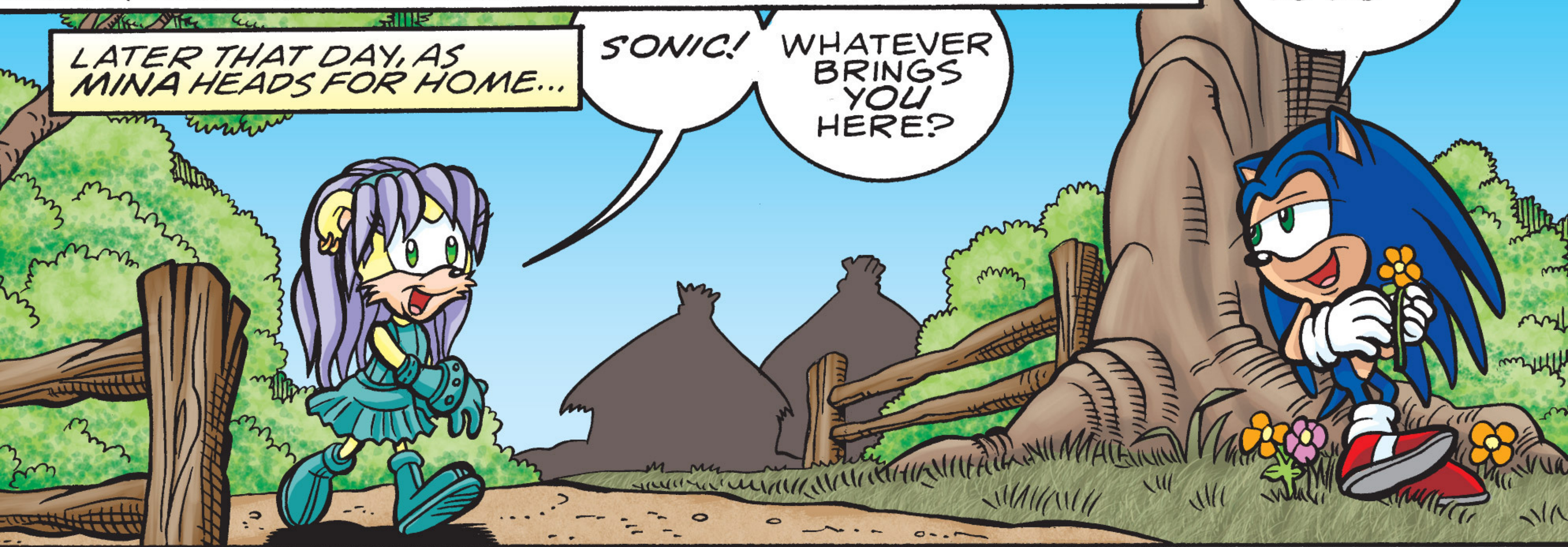
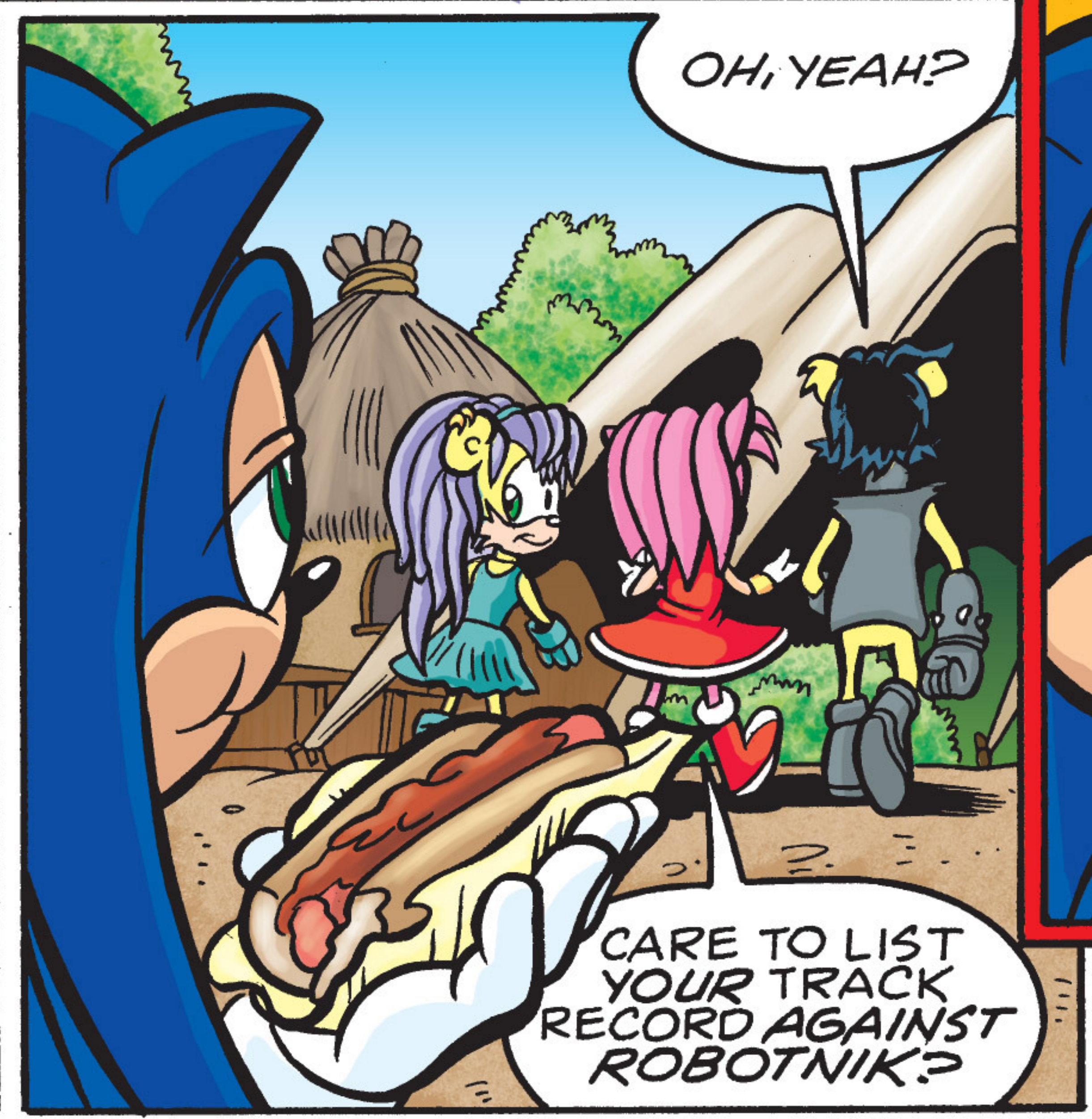
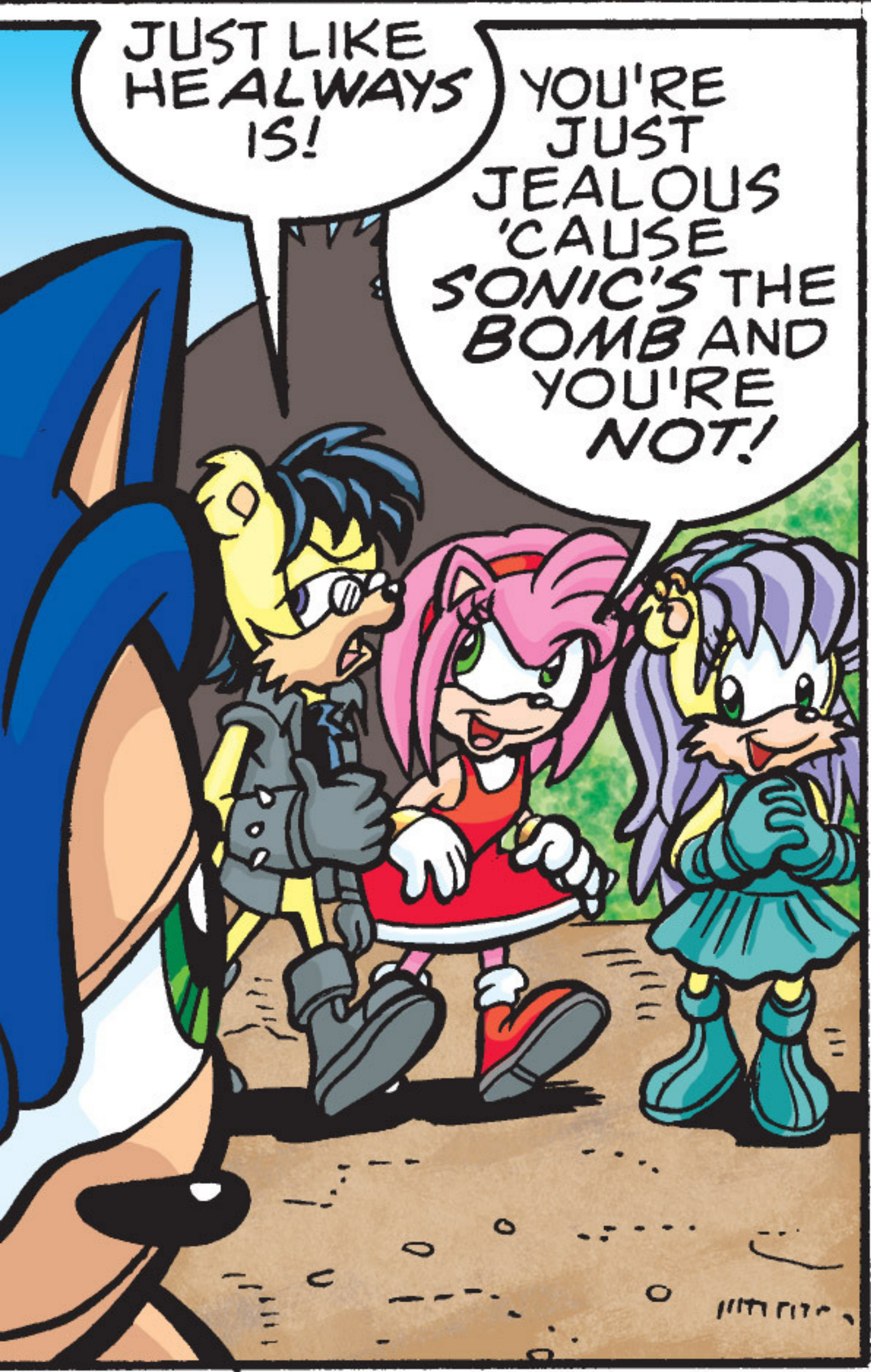


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MEANWHILE, A TIME ZONE OR TWO AWAY IN ONE OF THE TRENDIER ESTABLISHMENTS LOCATED UPTOWN IN STATION SQUARE, WE FIND AN UNLIKELY CUSTOMER MEETING WITH A MORE UPSCALE PATRON...

SO, LAYKEN, YOU FINALLY BREAKING DOWN AND LETTING ME HAVE A GO AT THE ANGEL ISLAND STASH?

NOT JUST YET, NACK! THE MERCHANDISE YOU SPEAK OF IS STILL TOO HIGH-PROFILE!

AND HOW DO YOU PLAN ON EXTRICATING THE GEMS OFF THE ISLAND?

THEY HAPPEN TO BE HEAVILY-GUARDED!

THE LARGEST--NOT TO MENTION ONLY KNOWN--SUPPLY OF CHAOS EMERALDS--

--AND YOU DON'T THINK THAT'S WORTH GOING AFTER?

ESPECIALLY NOW THAT THEY HAVE BEEN REBUILDING THE ISLAND AFTER ROBOTNIK HAD HIS FUN.\*

\*EDITORIAL NOTE: SEE ISSUES 138 THROUGH 141 FOR THE FULL STORY.

WE'RE ONLY TALKING ONE ECHIDNA WHO KEEPS WATCH!

ONE ECHIDNA PLUS BACKUP!

BACKUP?! WHAT DO YOU KNOW THAT I DON'T?

I DON'T KNOW--

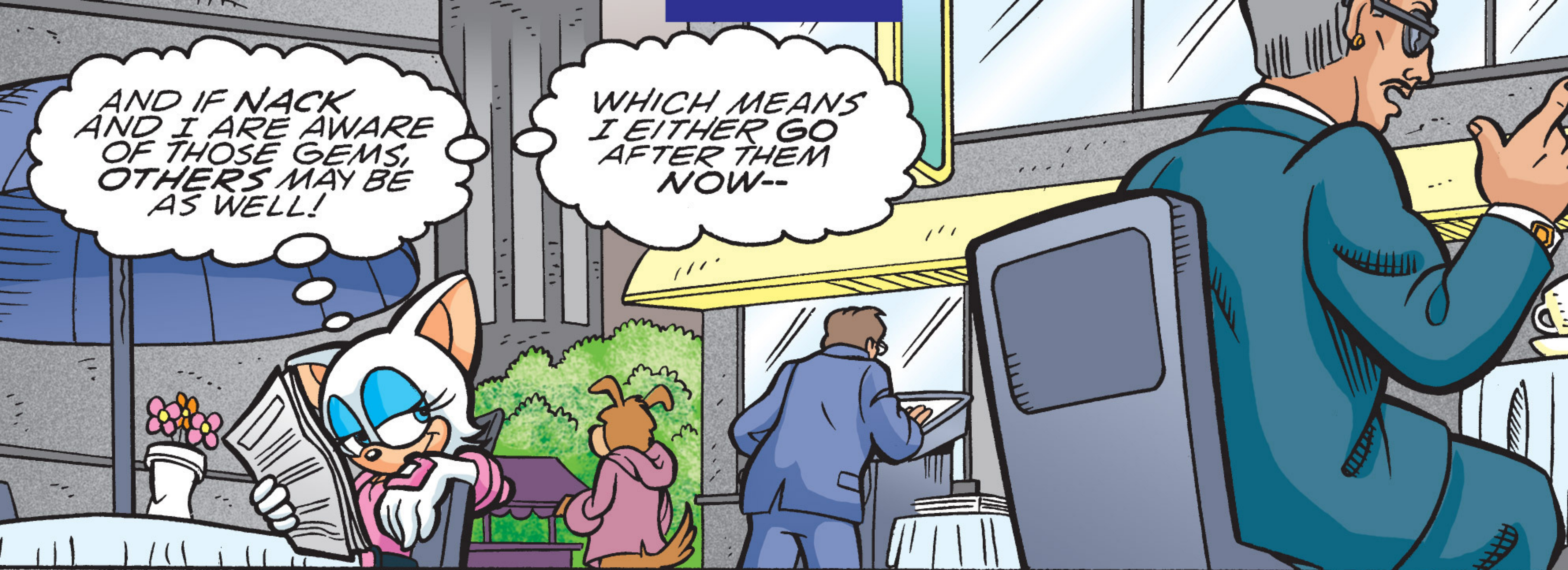
--BUT I HEAR THINGS!

I'D RATHER GO AFTER A SURE THING DOWN IN CAT COUNTRY THAN AN UNKNOWN ON A FLOATING ISLAND!

YOU'RE BREAKING MY HEART!

--BUT DEFINITELY NOT MINE!





AND IF NACK  
AND I ARE AWARE  
OF THOSE GEMS,  
OTHERS MAY BE  
AS WELL!

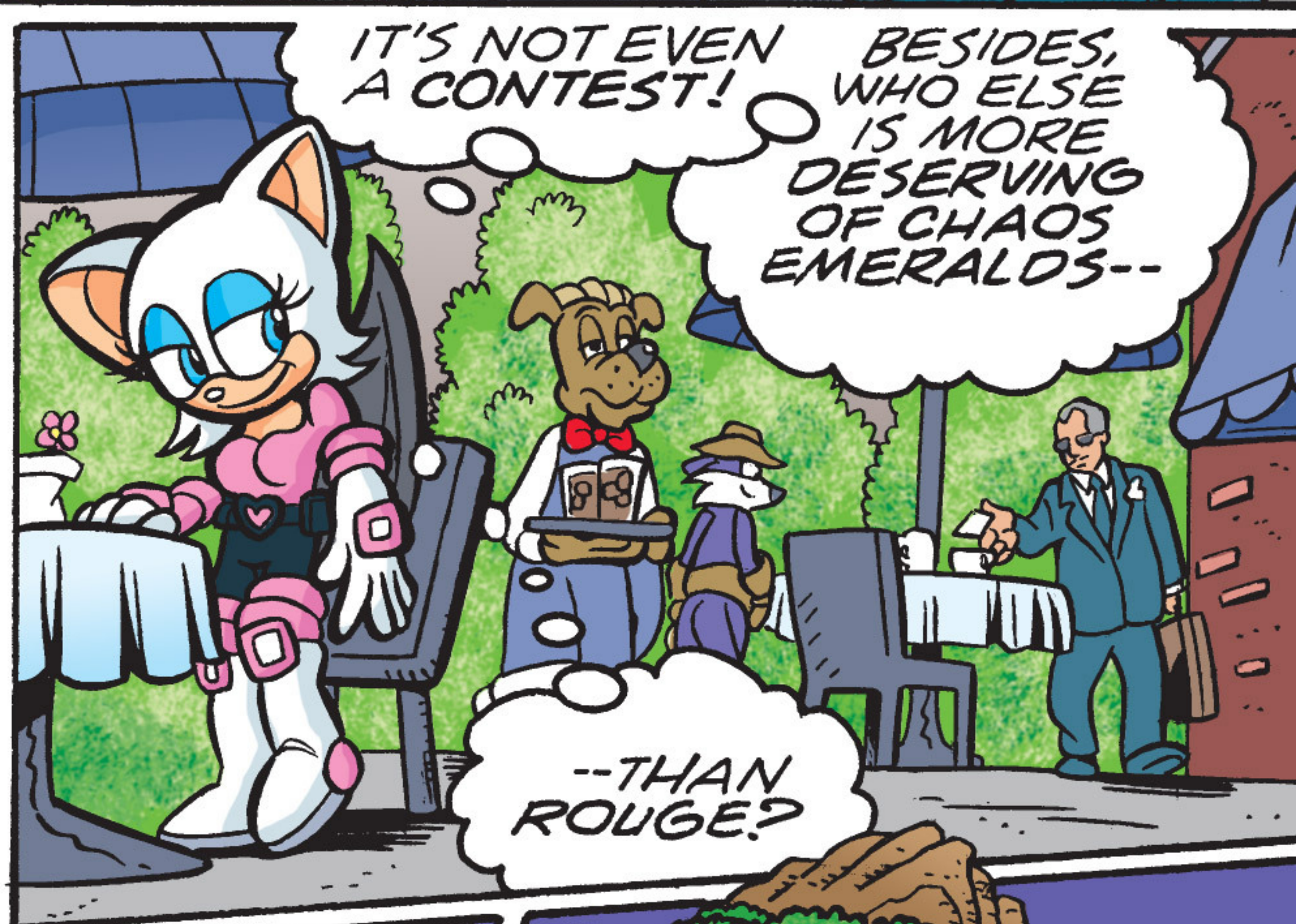
WHICH MEANS  
I EITHER GO  
AFTER THEM  
NOW--



--OR PROCRASTINATE  
AND LOSE OUT!

WHEN I  
GET BACK  
FROM THIS  
JOB--

--YOU WON'T  
HAVE ANY  
EXCUSE NOT  
TO GO FOR  
THOSE GEMS!



IT'S NOT EVEN  
A CONTEST!

BESIDES,  
WHO ELSE  
IS MORE  
DESERVING  
OF CHAOS  
EMERALDS--

--THAN  
ROUGE?



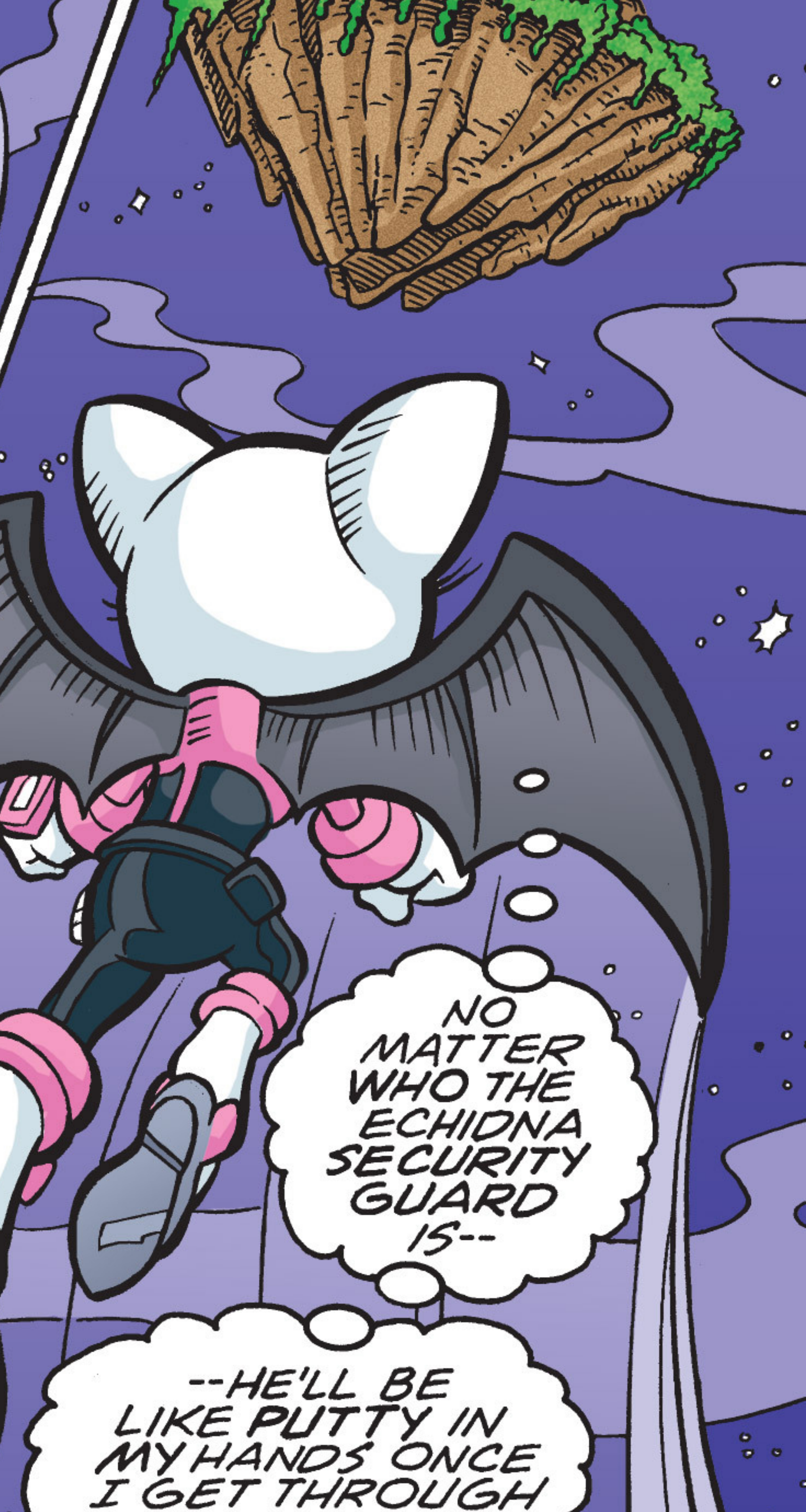
SINCE  
OPPORTUNITY  
KNOCKS--

--IT'S TIME  
FOR THIS  
BAT TO  
SOAR!



NO WONDER  
NACK WAS SO  
EXCITABLE--

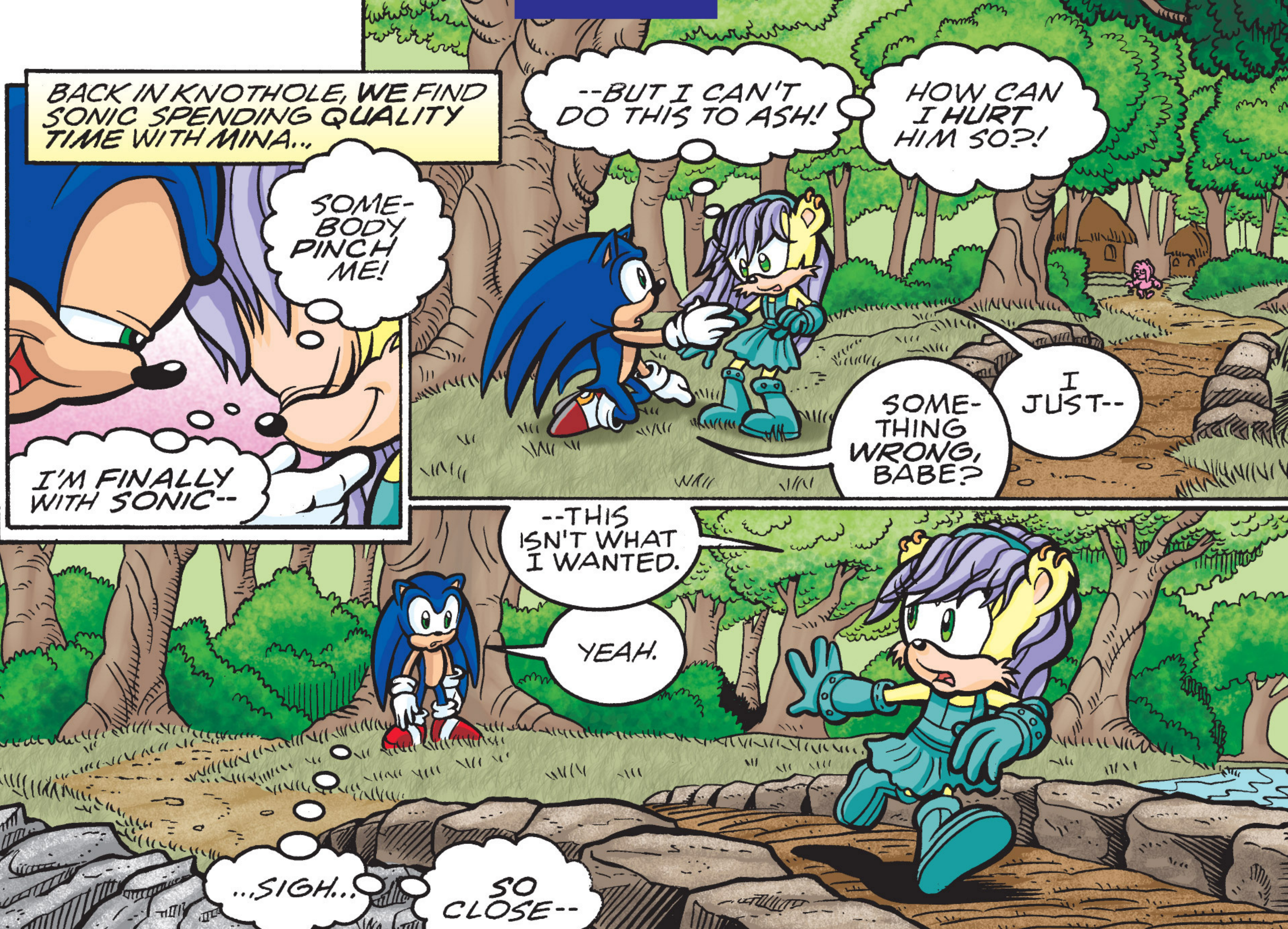
--AS HIS  
OBJECTIVE  
IS IN PLAIN  
SIGHT!



NO  
MATTER WHO THE  
ECHIDNA  
SECURITY  
GUARD  
IS--

--HE'LL BE  
LIKE PUTTY IN  
MY HANDS ONCE  
I GET THROUGH  
WITH HIM!





BACK IN KNOTHOLE, WE FIND SONIC SPENDING QUALITY TIME WITH MINA...

--BUT I CAN'T DO THIS TO ASH!

HOW CAN I HURT HIM SO?!

SOME-BODY PINCH ME!

I'M FINALLY WITH SONIC--

SOME-THING WRONG, BABE?

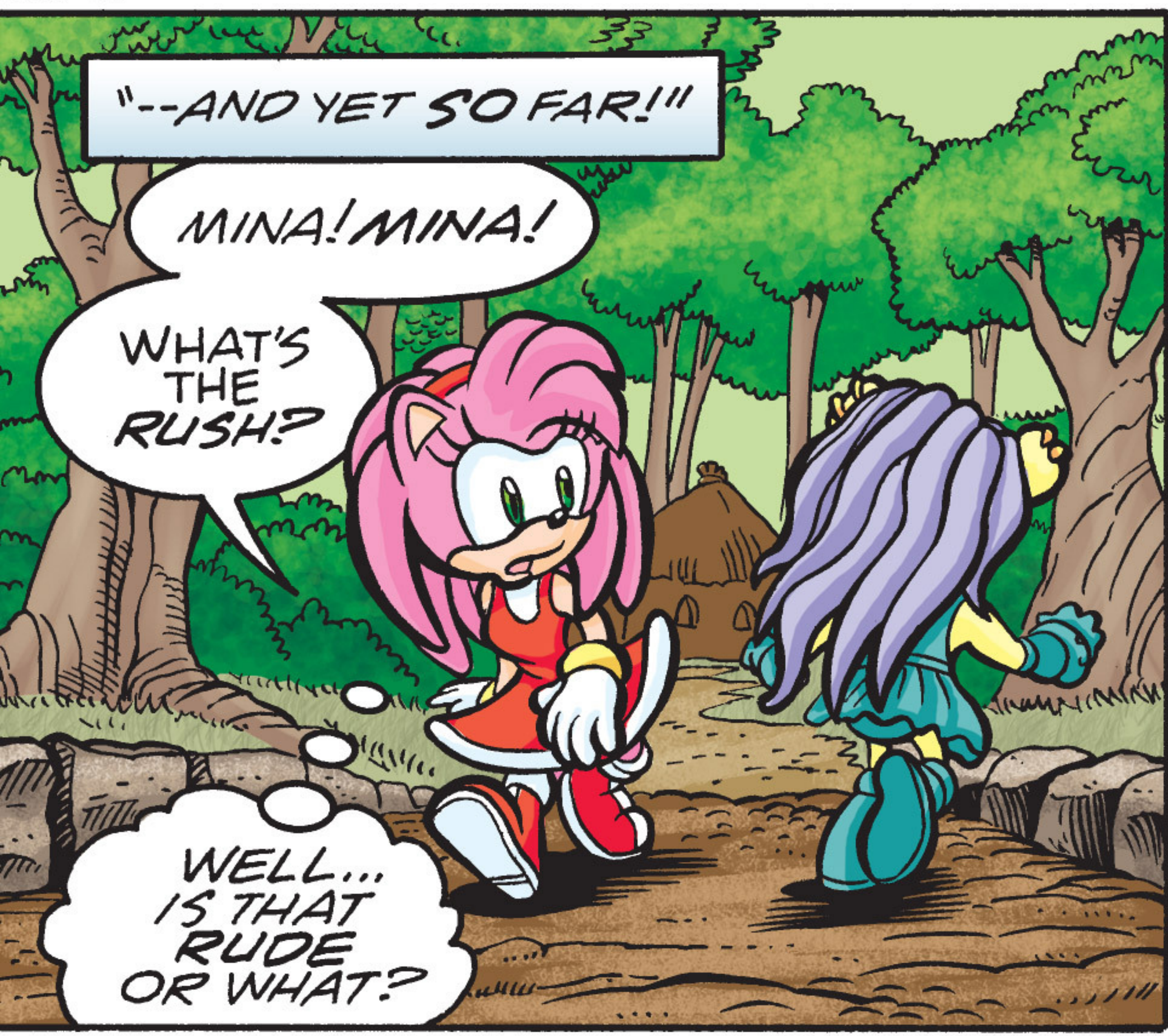
I JUST--

--THIS ISN'T WHAT I WANTED.

YEAH.

...SIGH...

SO CLOSE--

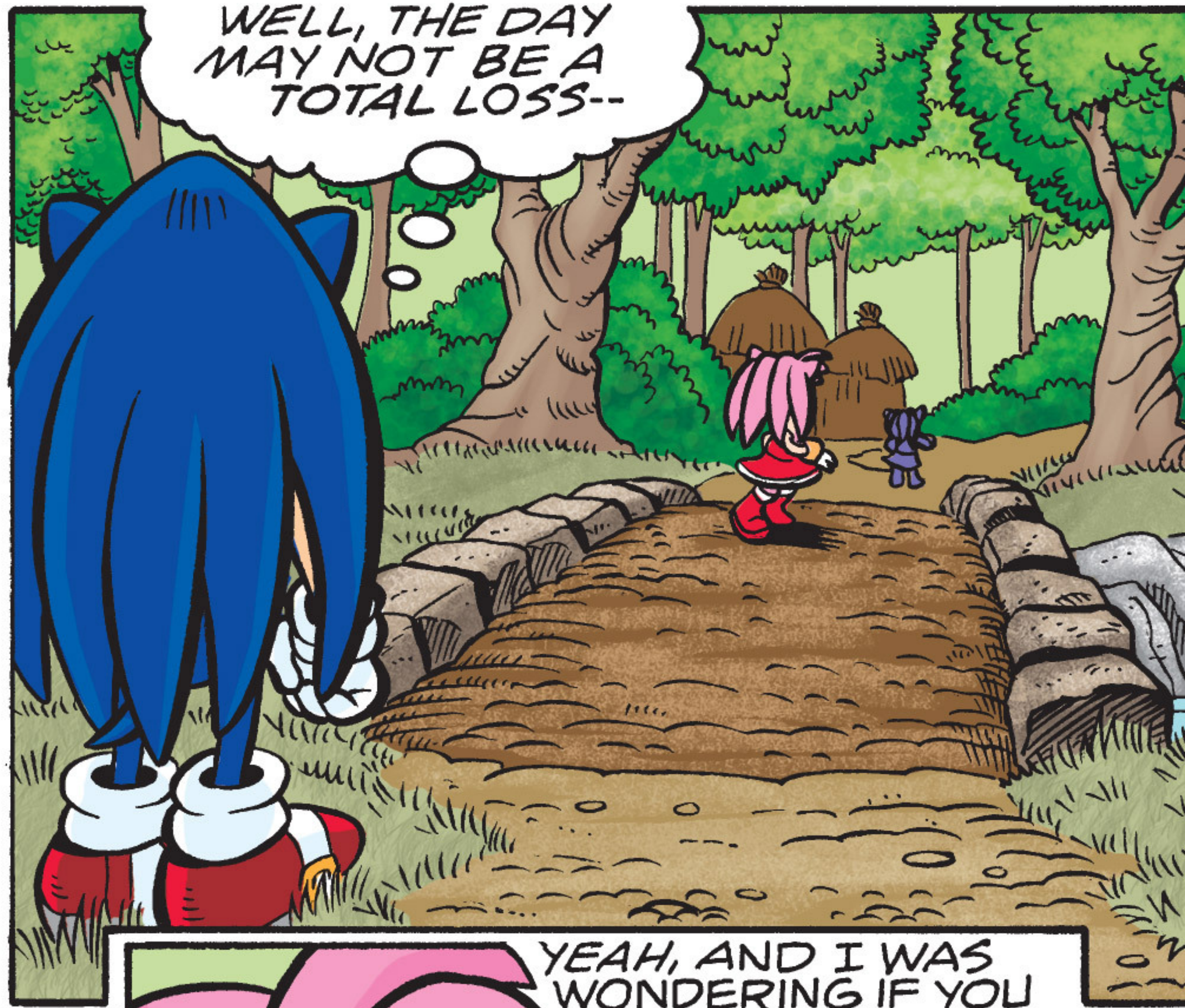


"--AND YET SO FAR!!"

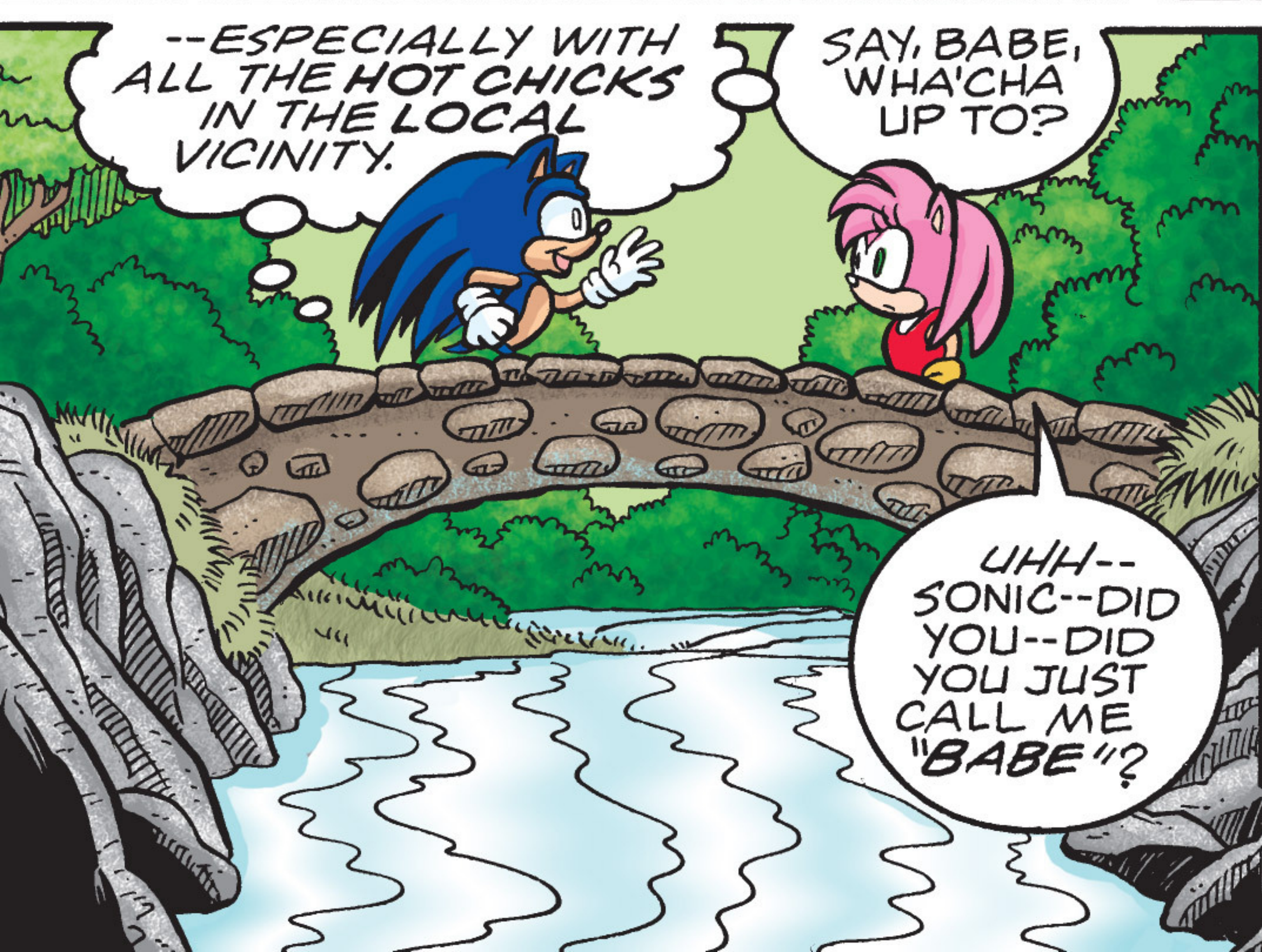
MINA! MINA!

WHAT'S THE RUSH?

WELL... IS THAT RUDE OR WHAT?



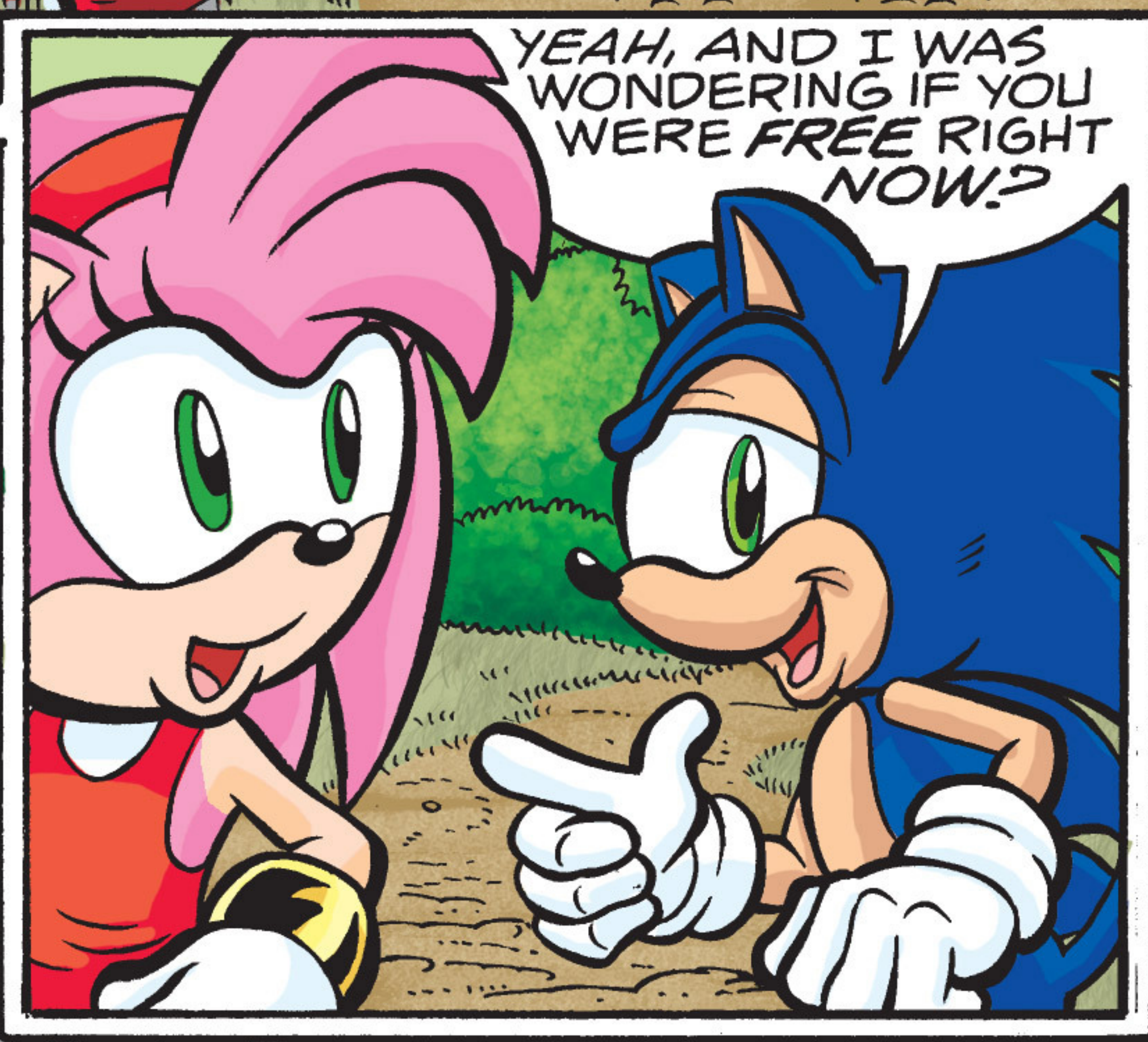
WELL, THE DAY MAY NOT BE A TOTAL LOSS--



--ESPECIALLY WITH ALL THE HOT CHICKS IN THE LOCAL VICINITY.

SAY, BABE, WHA'CHA UP TO?

UHH-- SONIC--DID YOU--DID YOU JUST CALL ME "BABE"?



YEAH, AND I WAS WONDERING IF YOU WERE FREE RIGHT NOW?.



SEVERAL HOURS LATER, AS THE SUN BEGINS TO SET...

IT'S BEEN HOURS SINCE SONIC WAS SUPPOSED TO HAVE COME OVER!

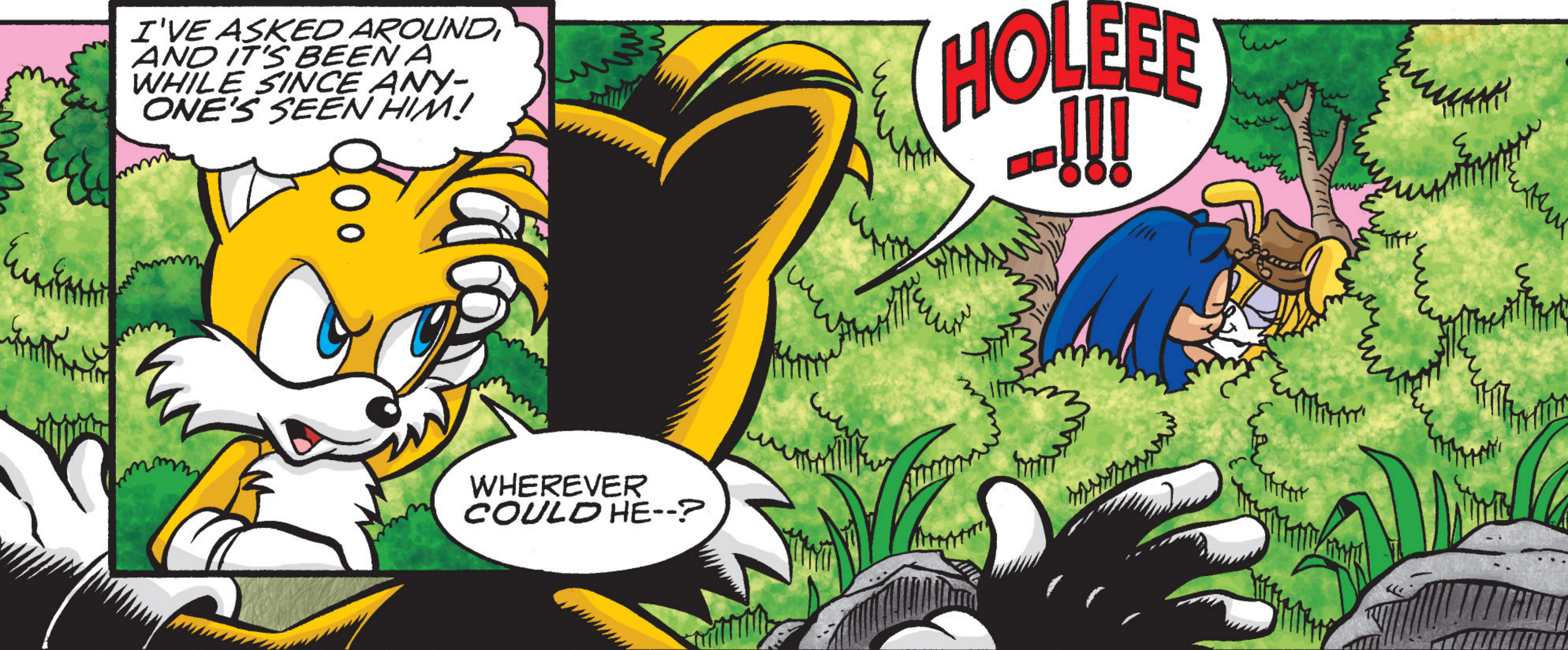
IT'S NOT LIKE HIM TO PULL A NO-SHOW!



I'VE ASKED AROUND, AND IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE ANY-ONE'S SEEN HIM!

HOLEEE...!!!

WHEREVER COULD HE--?



AFTER ANTOINE AND I BROKE UP, I DIDN'T THINK ANYONE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN ME!

A BABE LIKE YOU? WHAT'S NOT TO LIKE?

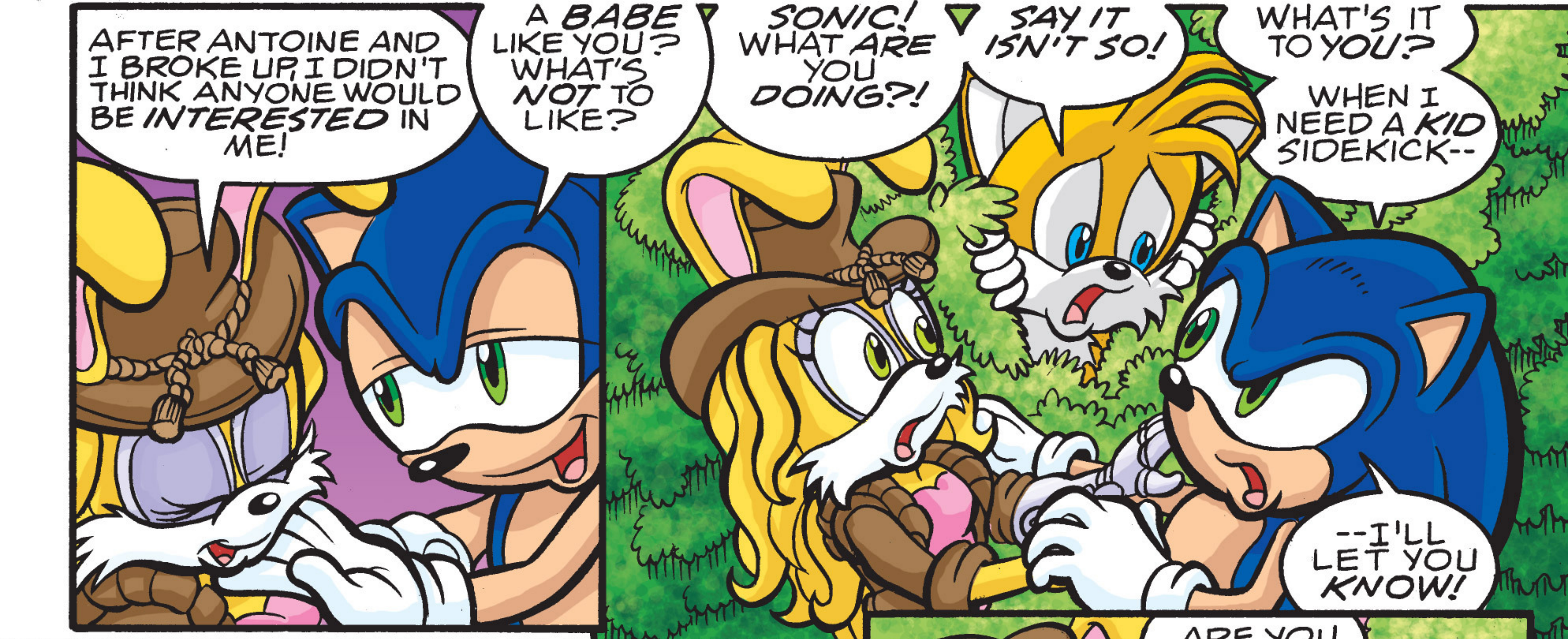
SONIC! WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!

SAY IT ISN'T SO!

WHAT'S IT TO YOU?

WHEN I NEED A KID SIDEKICK--

--I'LL LET YOU KNOW!

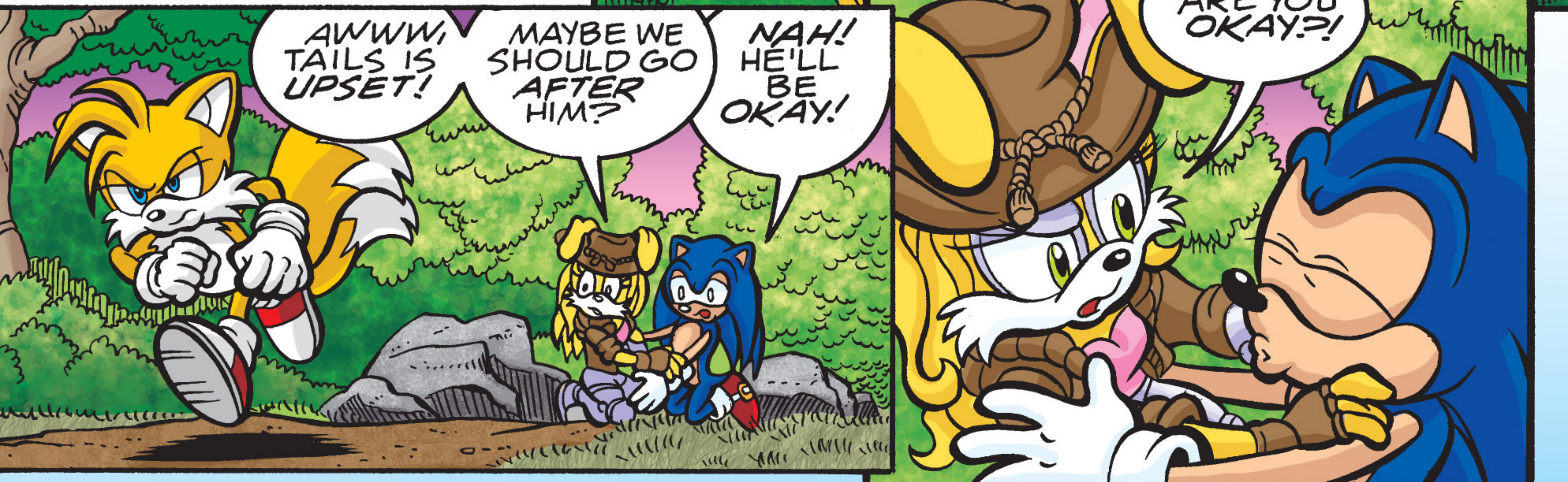


AWWW, TAILS IS UPSET!

MAYBE WE SHOULD GO AFTER HIM?

NAH! HE'LL BE OKAY!

ARE YOU OKAY?!





HOURS LATER...

UHH...  
SONIC...  
?

YEAH,  
BABE?

OUR LITTLE NAP  
WENT A LITTLE  
LONG. THIS DAY IS  
LIKE A WEIRD  
DREAM.

HEY, IT'S  
JUST A NAP,  
BUT IF IT'S A  
DREAM--

--IT'S A  
GREAT  
ONE!

I'M GOING  
HOME! AND  
YOU'D BETTER  
TALK TO  
TAILS.

IT  
WOULDN'T  
DO TO BE  
SEEN OUT  
LATE LIKE  
THIS!

WELL, DON'T BE  
A STRANGER!

GOOD LUCK  
WITH YOUR  
PARENTS.

NOW THIS  
IS THE  
LIFE!

FAME  
--CHICKS--  
AND ALL THE  
CHILI-DOGS A  
HEDGEHOG  
COULD  
WANT!

WHAT  
MORE  
TO LIFE IS  
THERE?

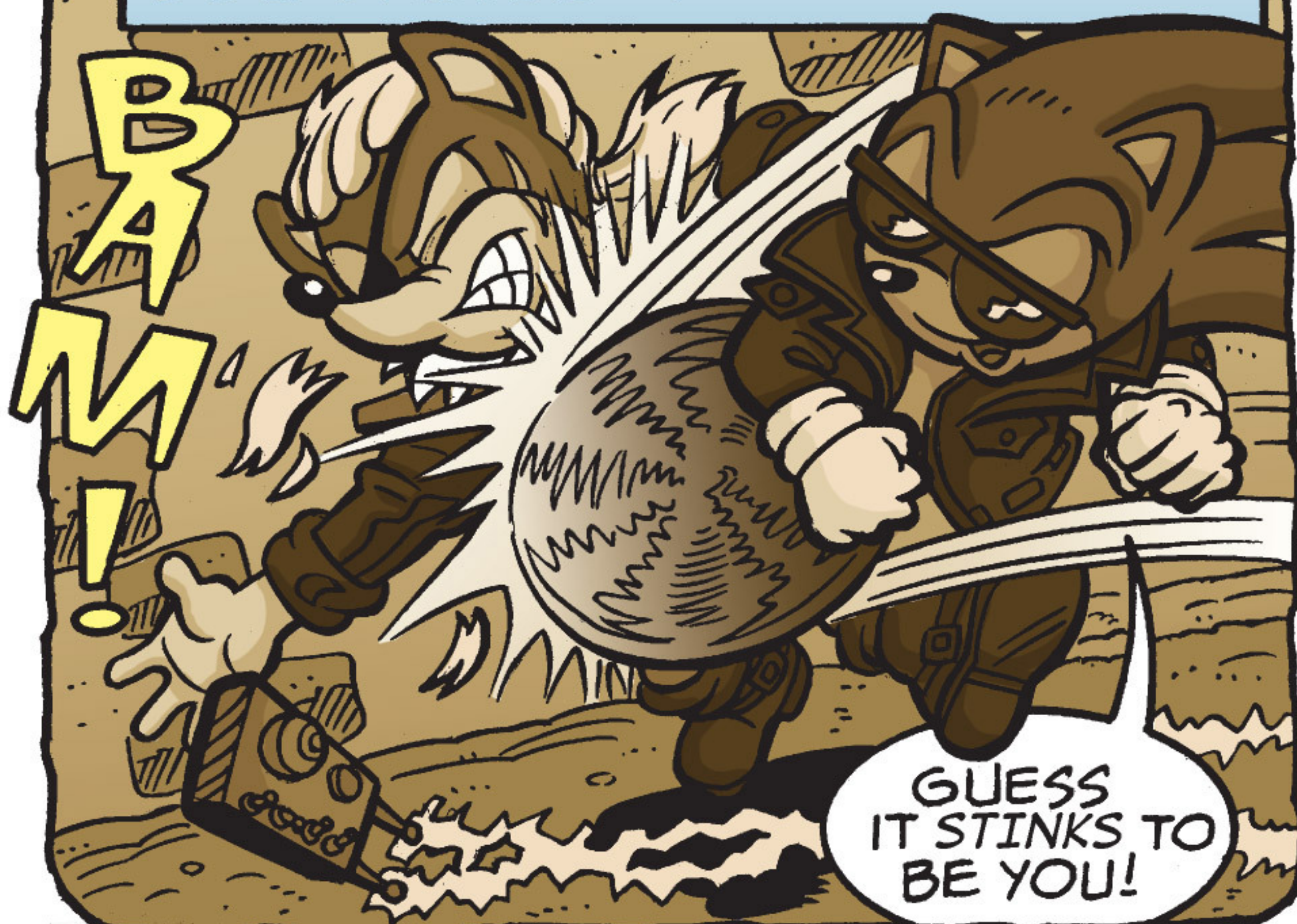
"WHO COULD HAVE THUNK ALL THIS  
STARTED OUT AS A PLAN TO GET  
RID OF ME..."

ZAY  
GOODBYE,  
YOU BLUE-  
SPINED  
OAF!

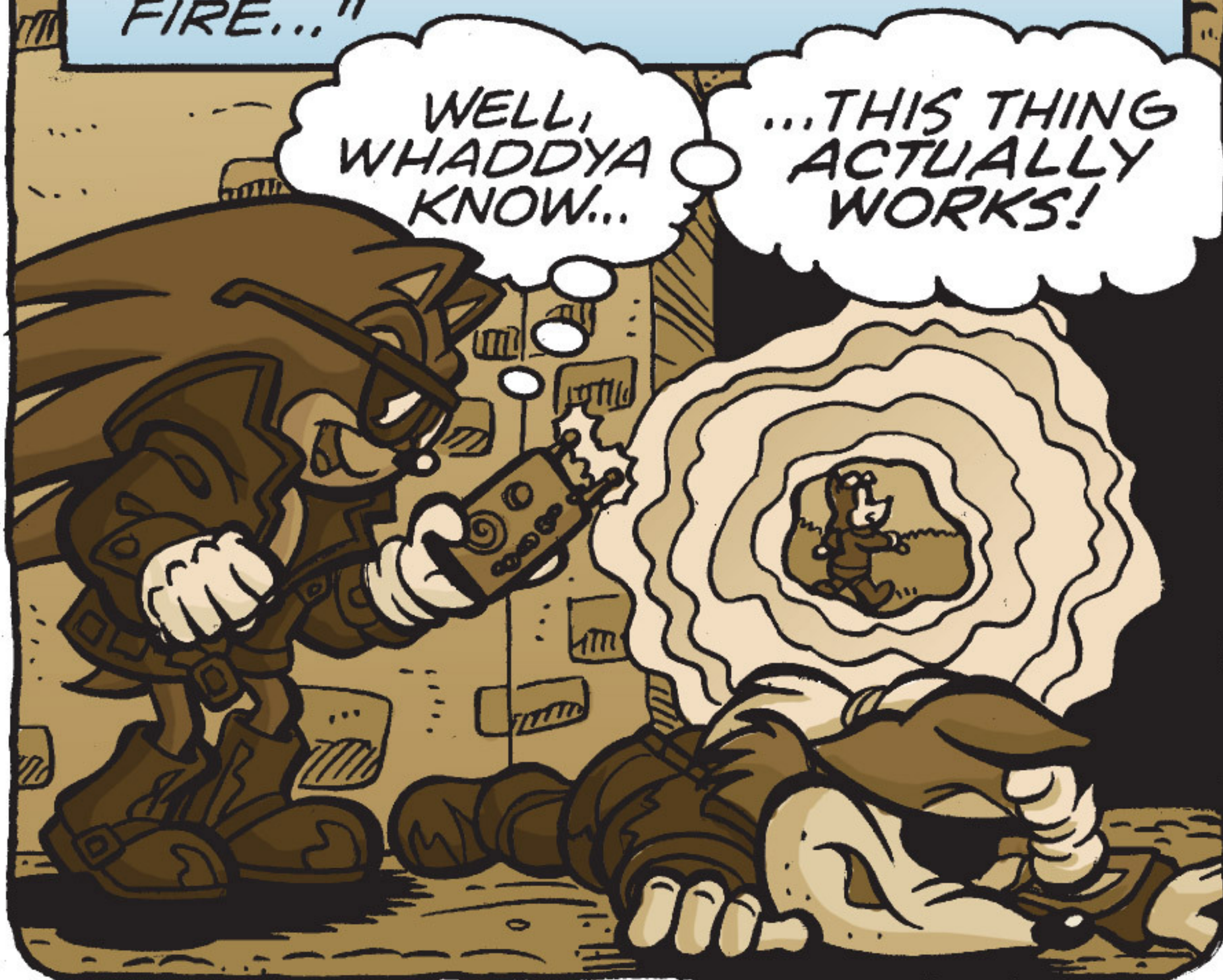
ONCE I PUSH  
ZIS BUTTON,  
I'LL ELIMINATE  
MY GREATEST  
ENEMY  
FOREVAIRE!



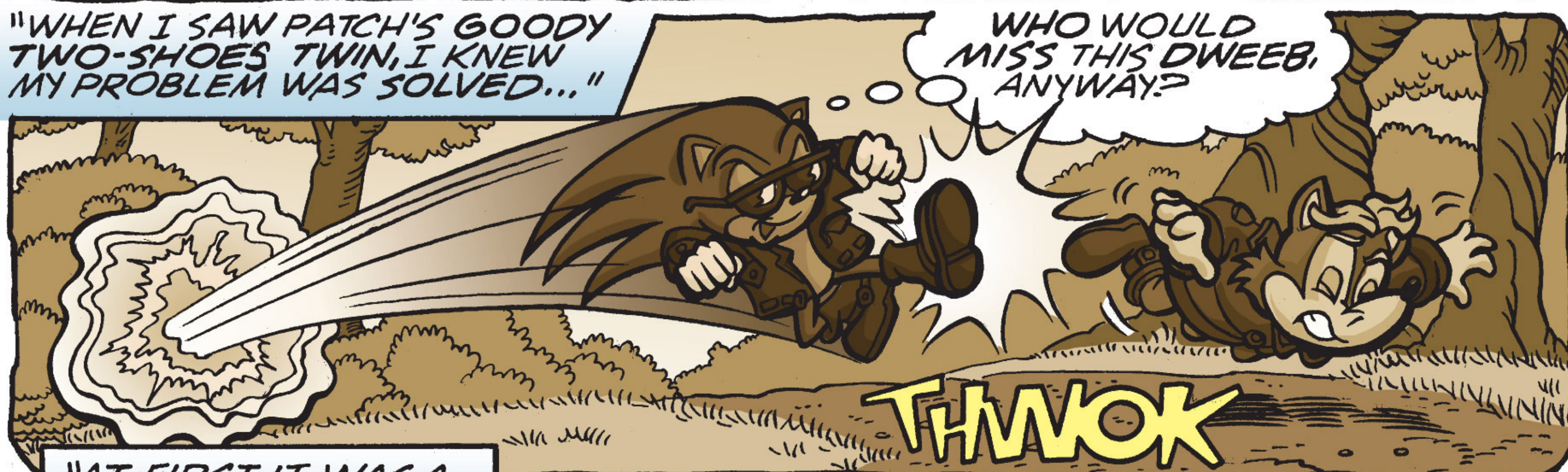
"PATCH WAS GONNA SEND MY TAIL TO THE MOBIUS WE INVADED BEFORE, COURTESY OF EVIL ROTOR'S LATEST DOO-DAD, BUT..."



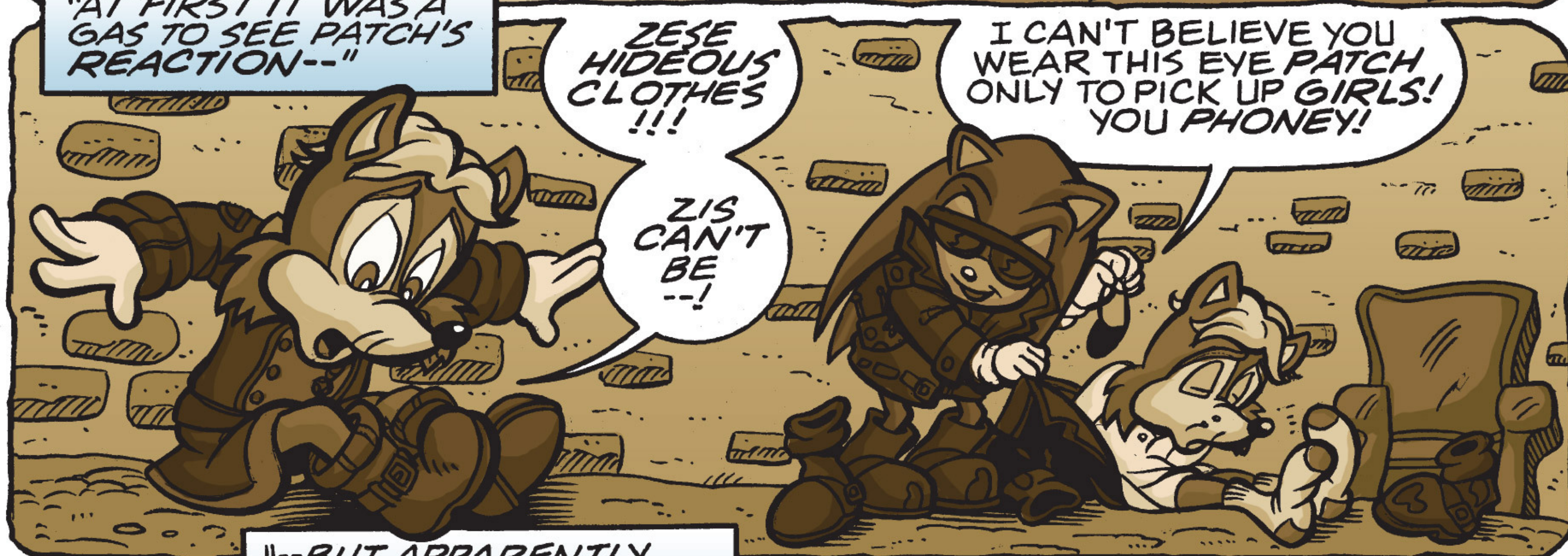
"SINCE I FIGURED PATCH WOULD TRY TO FRY MY TAIL AGAIN, I DECIDED TO FIGHT FIRE WITH FIRE..."



"WHEN I SAW PATCH'S GOODY TWO-SHOES TWIN, I KNEW MY PROBLEM WAS SOLVED..."

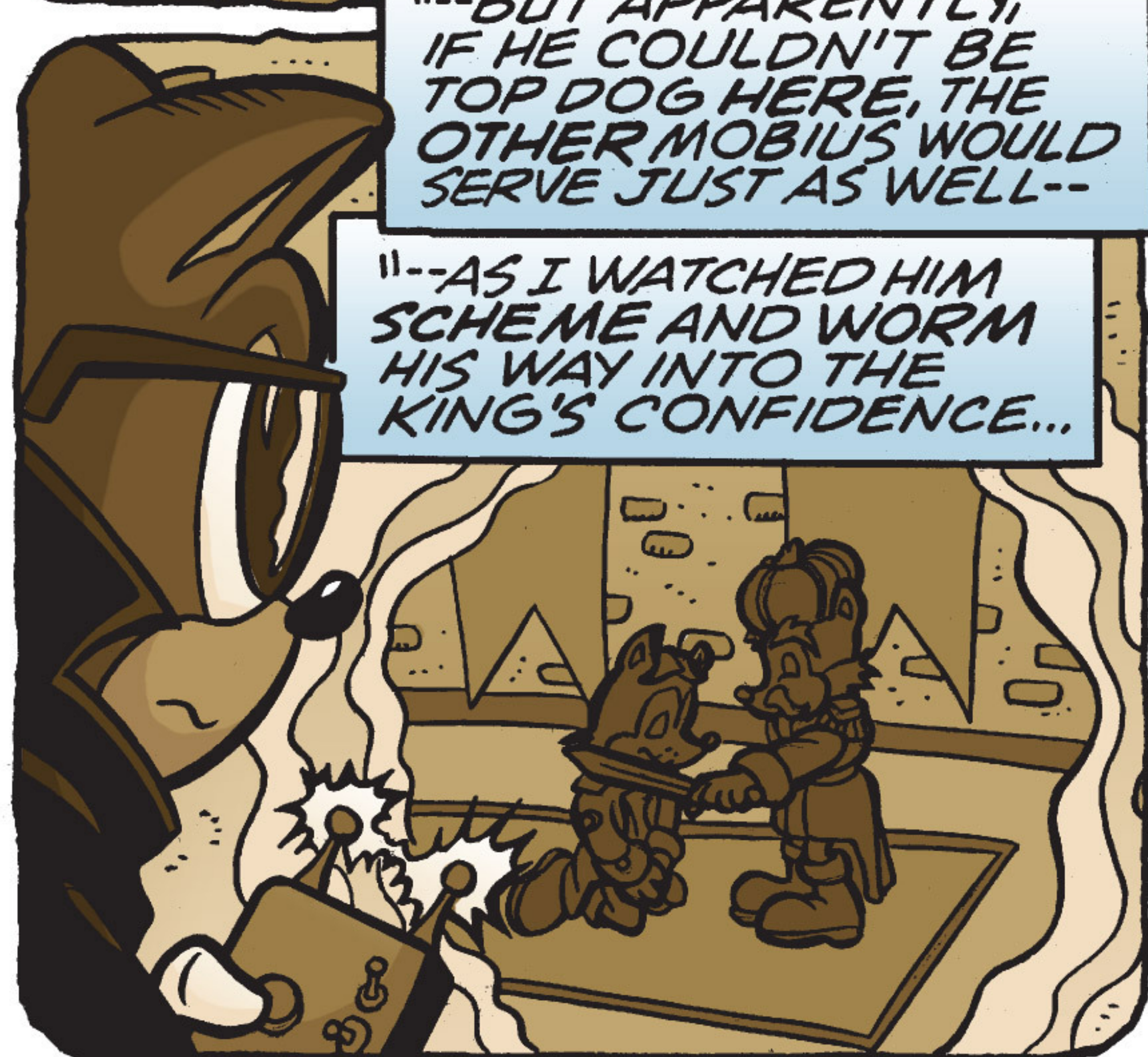


"AT FIRST IT WAS A GAS TO SEE PATCH'S REACTION--"



"--BUT APPARENTLY, IF HE COULDN'T BE TOP DOG HERE, THE OTHER MOBIUS WOULD SERVE JUST AS WELL--"

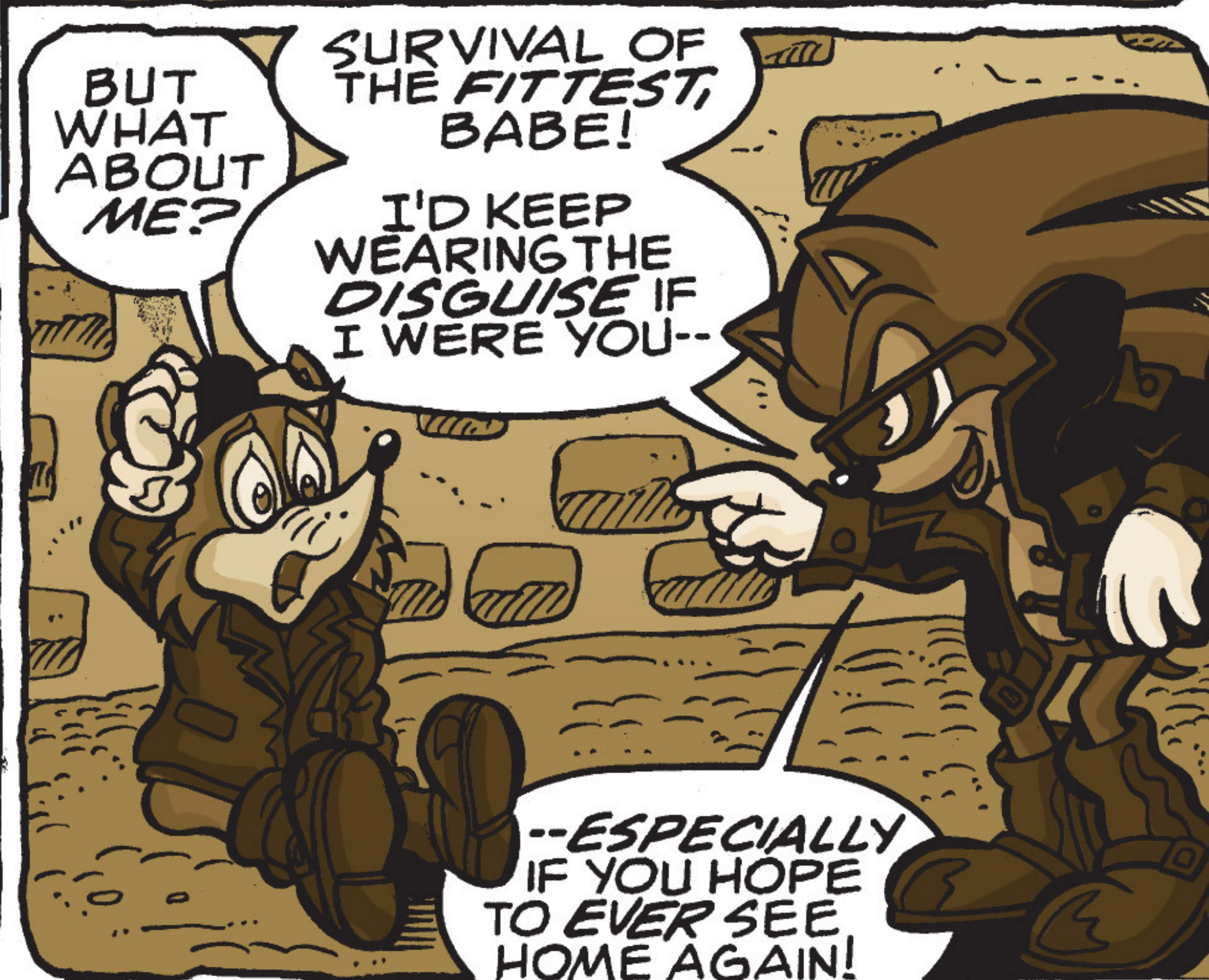
"--AS I WATCHED HIM SCHEME AND WORM HIS WAY INTO THE KING'S CONFIDENCE..."



BUT WHAT ABOUT ME?

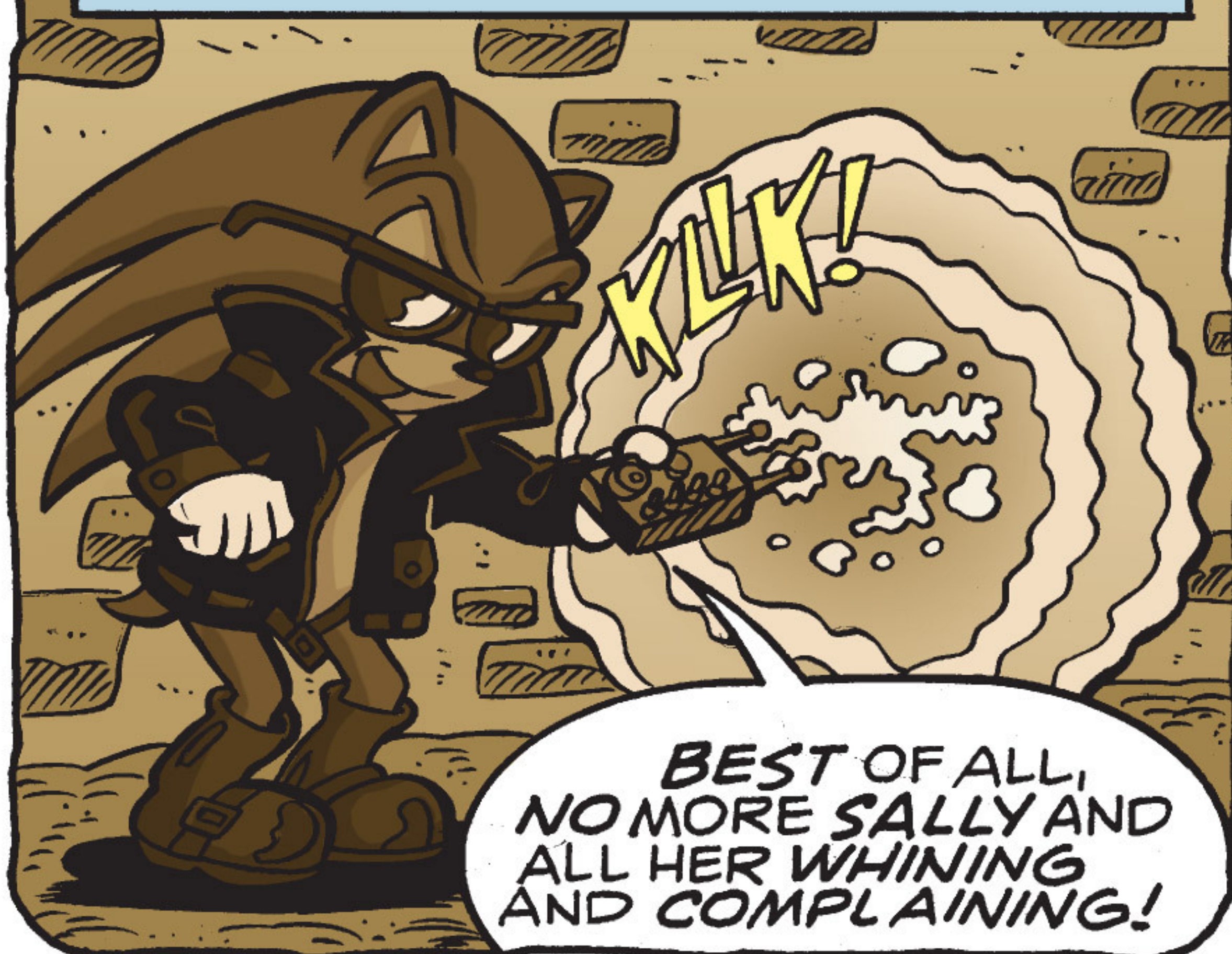
SURVIVAL OF THE FITTEST, BABE!

I'D KEEP WEARING THE DISGUISE IF I WERE YOU--





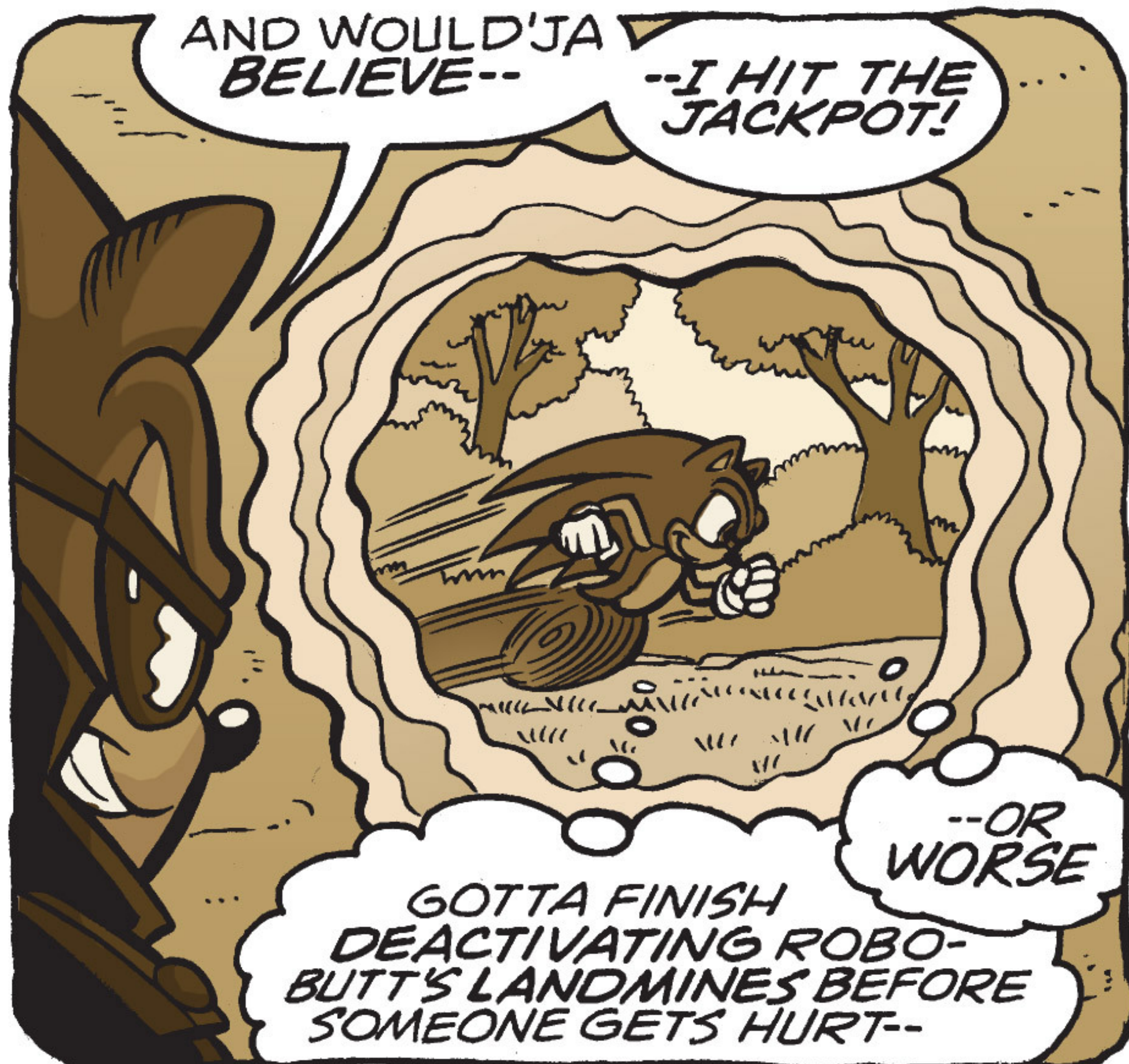
"AS TIME PASSED, IT TURNED OUT THAT PATCH FELL INTO A REAL SWEET DEAL, SO I FIGURED, WHY SHOULD HE BE THE ONLY ONE TO MAKE OUT..."



BEST OF ALL, NO MORE SALLY AND ALL HER WHINING AND COMPLAINING!

AND WOULD'JA BELIEVE--

--I HIT THE JACKPOT!



GOTTA FINISH DEACTIVATING ROBO-BUTT'S LANDMINES BEFORE SOMEONE GETS HURT--

WHEN OPPORTUNITY KNOCKS, YA SEIZE IT, I ALWAYS SAY!

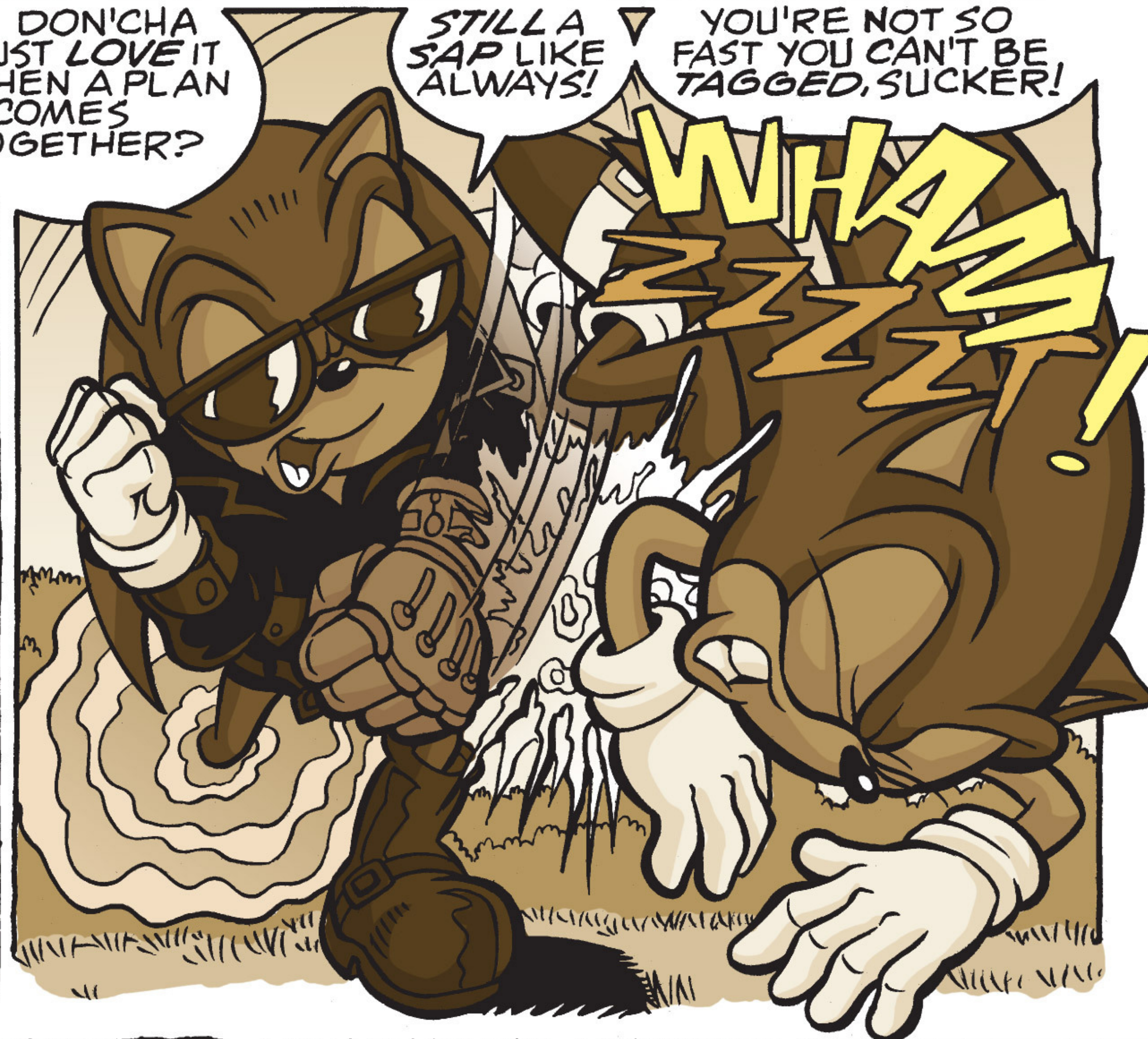
HE TAKES MY PLACE HERE...

...WHILE I TAKE OVER THERE!

DON'CHA JUST LOVE IT WHEN A PLAN COMES TOGETHER?

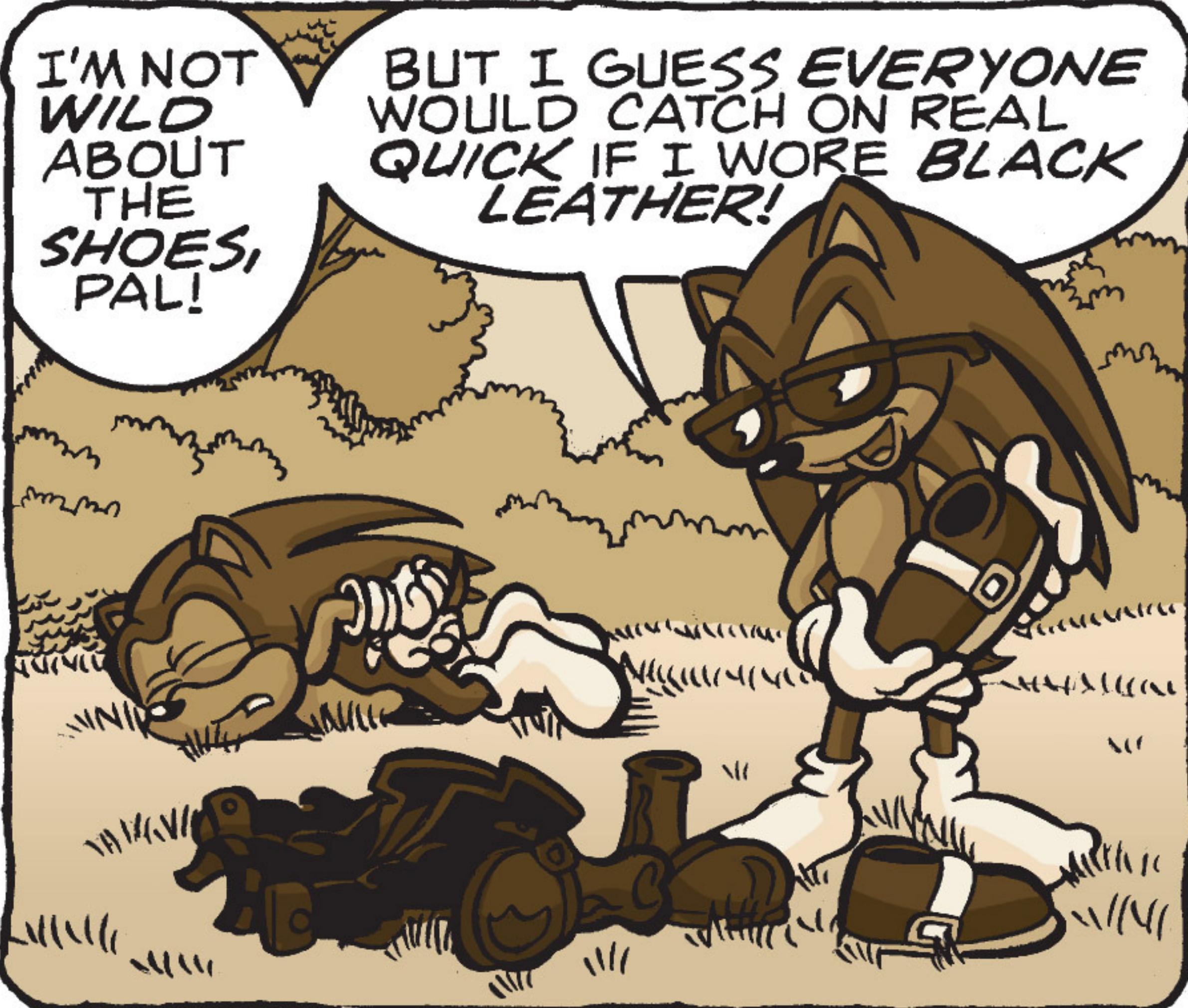
STILL A SAP LIKE ALWAYS!

YOU'RE NOT SO FAST YOU CAN'T BE TAGGED, SUCKER!



I'M NOT WILD ABOUT THE SHOES, PAL!

BUT I GUESS EVERYONE WOULD CATCH ON REAL QUICK IF I WORE BLACK LEATHER!



NOW THAT I'M ACCEPTED AS THE REAL DEAL ON THIS MOBIUS--

--WHY WOULD I EVER GO BACK--



--TO THAT BLUNCH O' LAME-OS I USED TO CALL "MY GANG"?



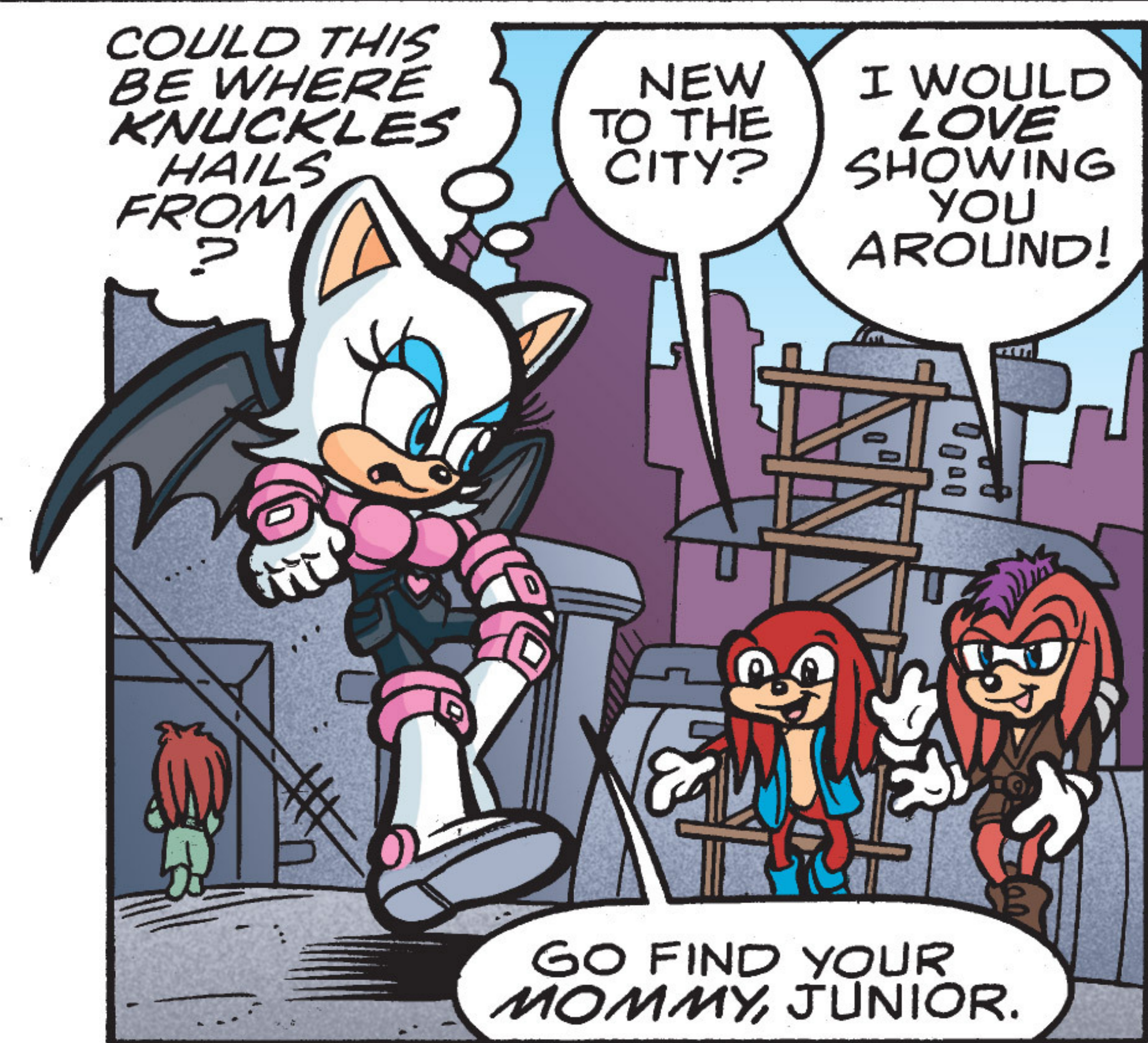


"NO WAY, JOSE! NOT THIS TIME!"

THIS WAS UNEXPECTED!

A CITY LOCATED ON THIS ISLAND MUCH LIKE STATION SQUARE--

--BUT FILLED WITH ECHIDNAS INSTEAD OF OVERLANDERS!

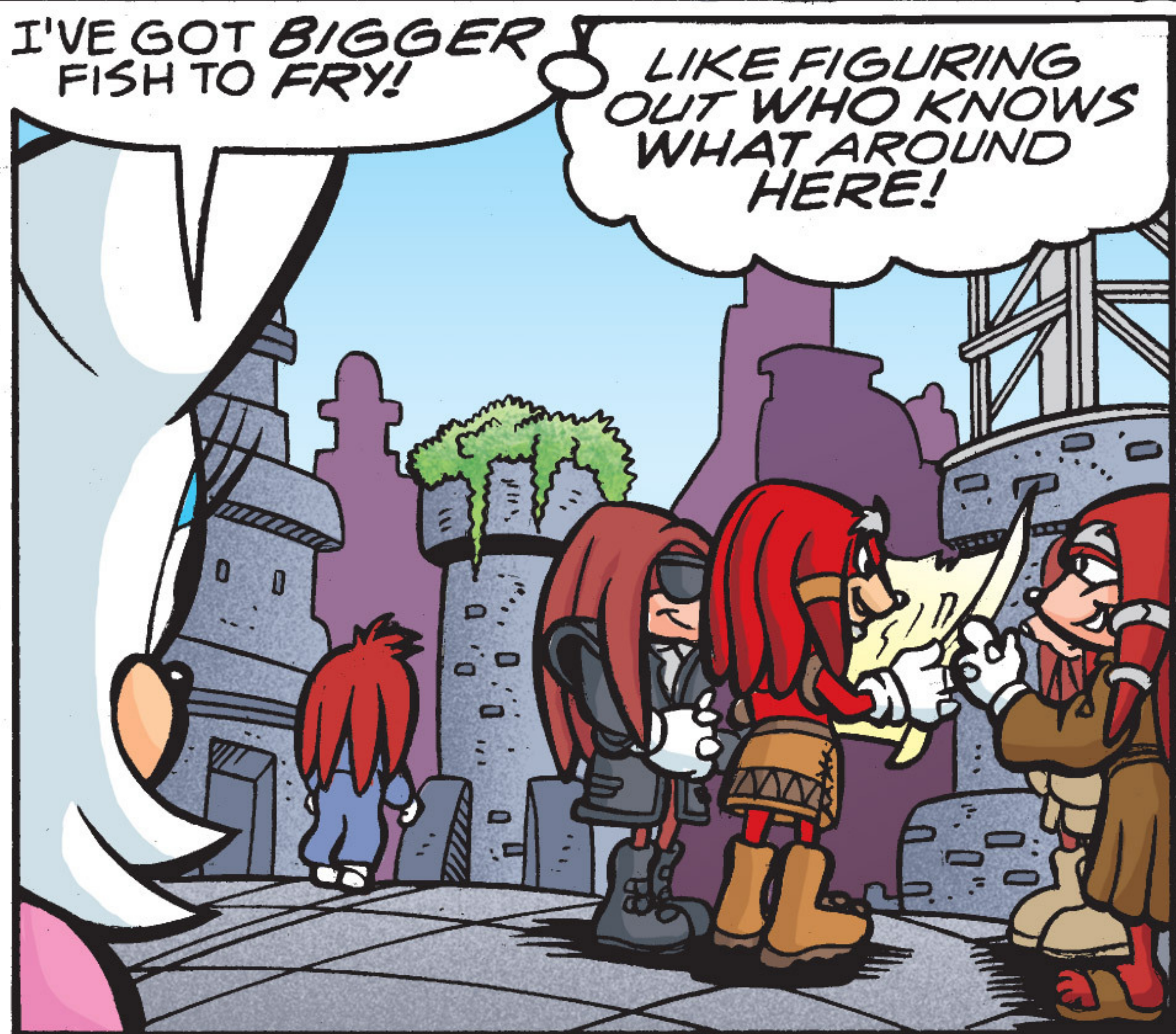


COULD THIS BE WHERE KNUCKLES HAILS FROM?

NEW TO THE CITY?

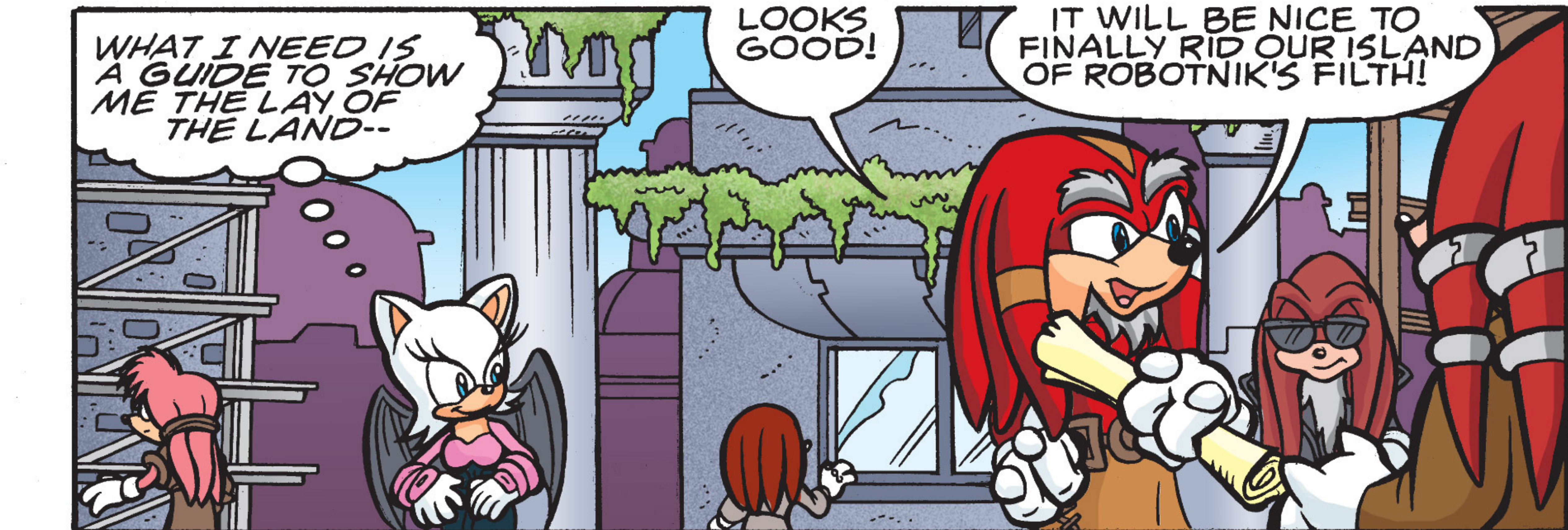
I WOULD LOVE SHOWING YOU AROUND!

GO FIND YOUR MOMMY, JUNIOR.



I'VE GOT BIGGER FISH TO FRY!

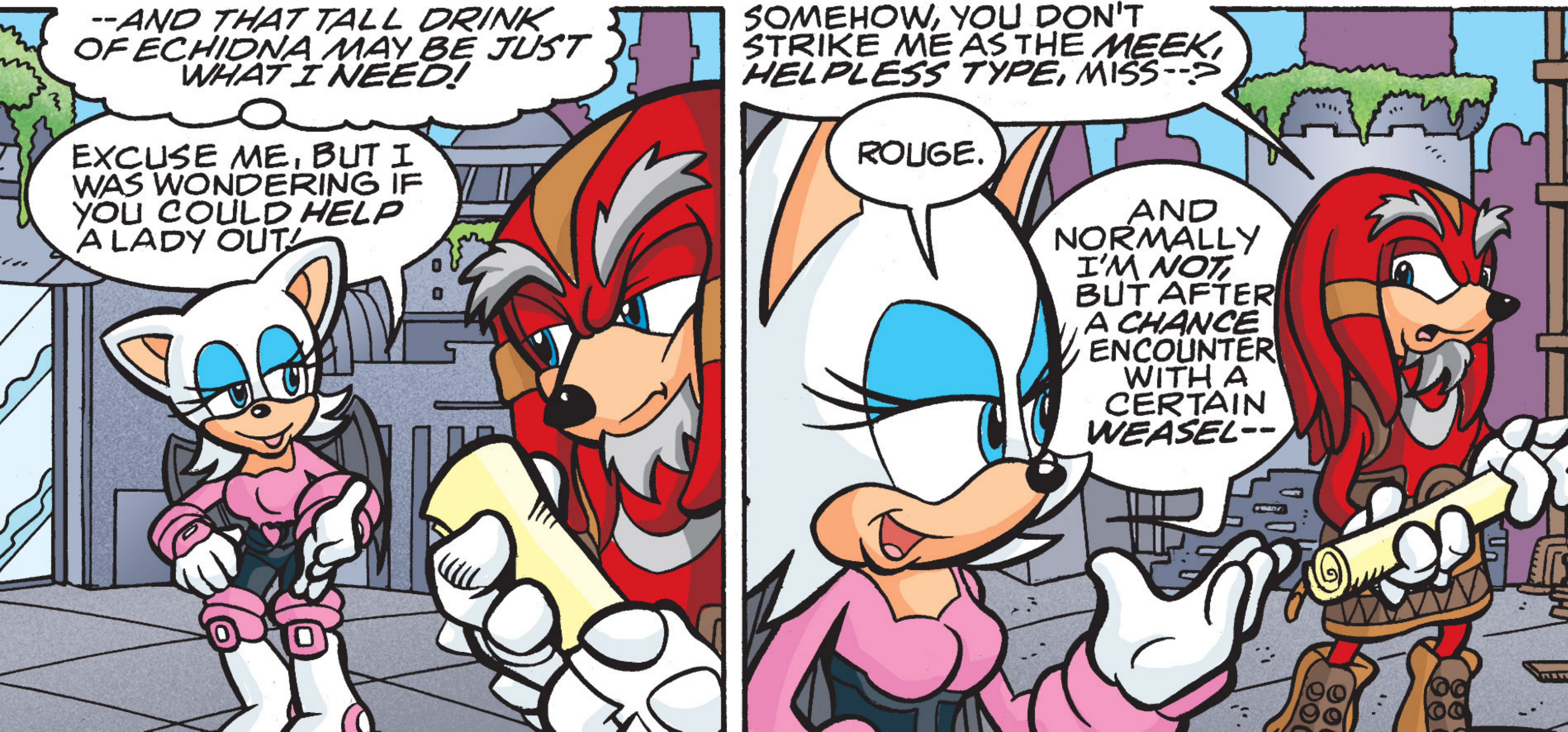
LIKE FIGURING OUT WHO KNOWS WHAT AROUND HERE!



WHAT I NEED IS A GUIDE TO SHOW ME THE LAY OF THE LAND--

LOOKS GOOD!

IT WILL BE NICE TO FINALLY RID OUR ISLAND OF ROBOTNIK'S FILTH!



--AND THAT TALL DRINK OF ECHIDNA MAY BE JUST WHAT I NEED!

EXCUSE ME, BUT I WAS WONDERING IF YOU COULD HELP A LADY OUT!

SOMEHOW, YOU DON'T STRIKE ME AS THE MEEK, HELPLESS TYPE, MISS--?

ROUGE.

AND NORMALLY I'M NOT, BUT AFTER A CHANCE ENCOUNTER WITH A CERTAIN WEASEL--



"--THINGS HAVEN'T BEEN THE SAME SINCE."

SINCE BLINNIE MENTIONED SOMETHING ABOUT SONIC'S PARENTS--

--I'LL GO CHECK OUT WHAT FUN I CAN HAVE THERE!

WHOA!

THAT LOOKS LIKE ONE OF MY DOC'S GIZMOS--

--ONLY NASTIER!

TICK  
TICK  
TICK

SO WHY TAKE CHANCES?

ESPECIALLY SINCE THIS WORLD'S ROBO-BUTT CAN'T TELL THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN ME--

--AND MY GOODIE TWO-SHOES TWIN!

WHEW! THAT WAS CLOSE!

SONIC! ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?!

I SHOULD HAVE KNOWN BETTER THAN TO SEND YOU ON THIS ASSIGNMENT!

IT LOOKS LIKE ONE OF ROBOTNIK'S BETA-BOMBS!

IF SONIC HADN'T SET IT OFF WHEN HE DID, THE EFFECTS WOULD HAVE BEEN A LOT WORSE!

YOU WERE SUPPOSED TO MARK THEIR LOCATIONS!

CAN'T YOU EVER PLAY IT SAFE JUST ONCE?!

HOW DO YOU LIKE THEM APPLES?



"THIS SALLY IS JUST AS BIG A PAIN AS THE ONE I LEFT BEHIND..."

SO WHAT BRINGS YOU HERE TO ANGEL ISLAND, ROUGE?

WE ARE A LITTLE SUSPICIOUS OF VISITORS...

...CONSIDERING OUR RECENT GUESTS. \*

EDITOR'S NOTE: AGAIN, SONIC 138-141.

YOU KNOW, THE USUAL--  
NEW OPPORTUNITIES--

--A CHANCE TO START OVER--

--WHAT-  
EVER SPIRIT  
MOVES ME!

WHY NOT  
TELL ME  
ALL ABOUT  
IT, THEN?

IT'S BEEN  
A WHILE  
SINCE I'VE  
--HEARD  
A GOOD  
STORY!

YOU'LL LOVE  
THIS ONE, THEN.  
IT'S A DOOZY!

ONE COOKED-UP POTBOILER  
LATER...

--AND THAT'S  
IT, REALLY.

YOU  
SOUND  
LIKE SOME-  
ONE WHO  
LIVES LIFE  
ON THE  
EDGE!

I'VE  
LEARNED TO BE  
PREPARED!

PREPARED...?  
SAY! YOU WOULDN'T  
HAPPEN TO BE THE  
GUARDIAN OF  
THIS PLACE,  
WOULD YOU?

GUARDIAN?!

WHY  
WOULD  
YOU SAY  
THAT?

JUST  
EXACTLY  
WHAT  
ARE YOU  
AFTER?!

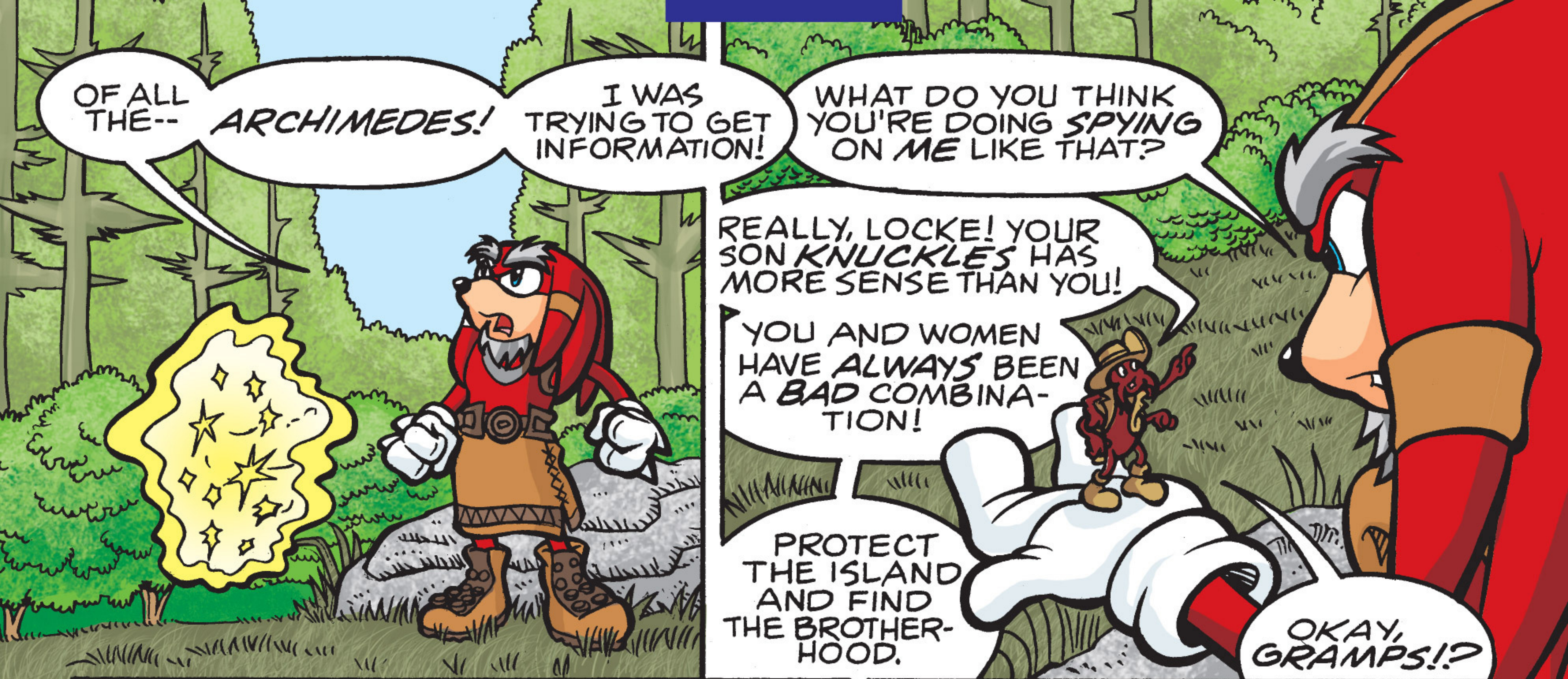
MAN, ARE YOU THIS WAY  
WITH ALL THE LADIES,  
GRAMPS?! NO WONDER--

WAIT!

WHAT'S  
HAPPENING  
TO ME?!

BAWFF!





OF ALL  
THE--

**ARCHIMEDES!**

I WAS  
TRYING TO GET  
INFORMATION!

WHAT DO YOU THINK  
YOU'RE DOING *SPYING*  
ON *ME* LIKE THAT?

REALLY, LOCKE! YOUR  
SON *KNUCKLES* HAS  
MORE SENSE THAN YOU!

YOU AND WOMEN  
HAVE ALWAYS BEEN  
A *BAD COMBINA-*  
*TION!*

PROTECT  
THE ISLAND  
AND FIND  
THE BROTHER-  
HOOD.

OKAY,  
GRAMPS!?

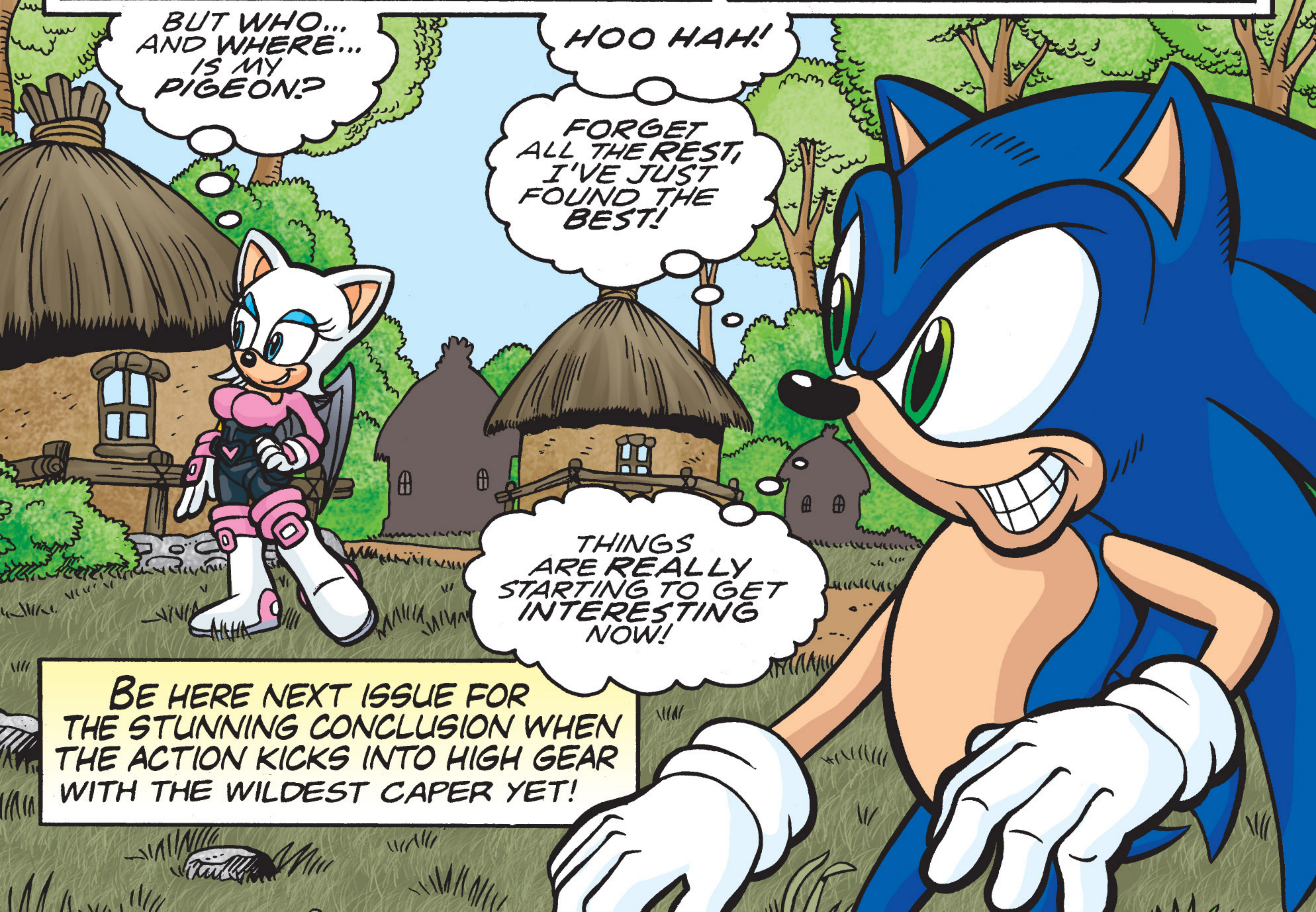
"SO WHERE  
DID YOU  
TELEPORT  
HER?"

OBVIOUSLY  
LOCKE VERY  
LIKELY KNOWS  
WHAT I'M  
AFTER!

HE WAS  
WAY TOO  
CAUTIOUS  
TO BE OTHER-  
WISE!

WHAT I  
NEED IS  
SOMEONE  
TO BE MY  
DECOY--

--A DISTRACTION  
FOR LOCKE WHILE  
I MAKE OFF WITH  
THE GEMS!



BUT WHO...  
AND WHERE...  
IS MY  
PIGEON?

HOO HAH!

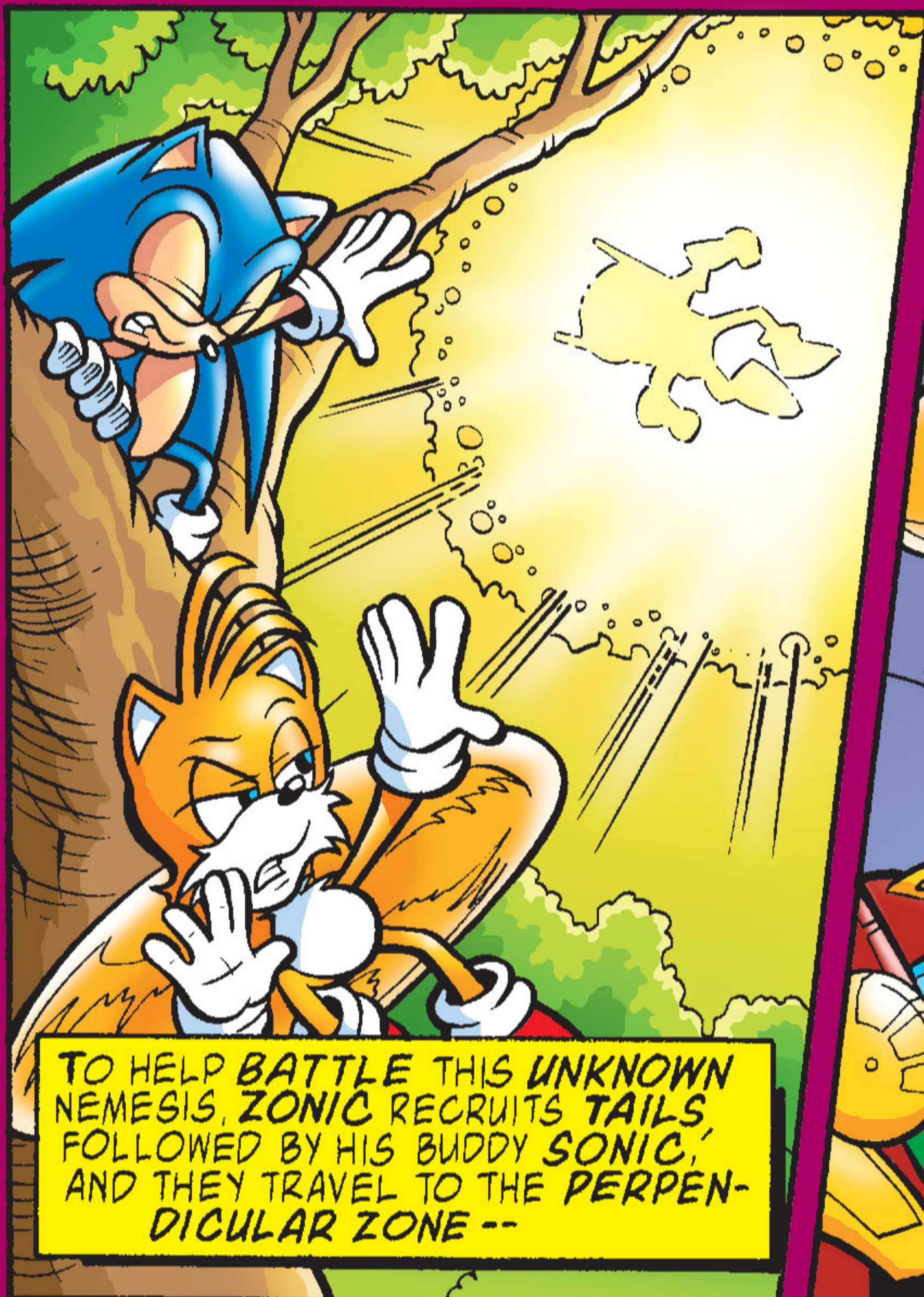
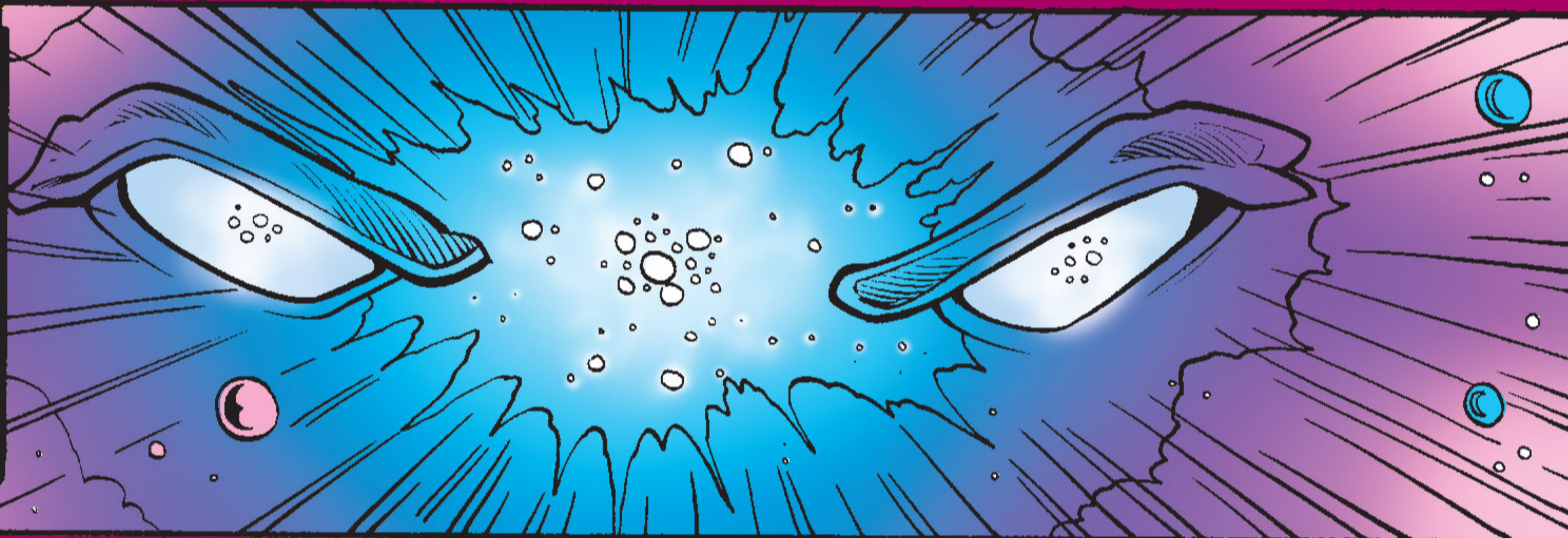
FORGET  
ALL THE REST,  
I'VE JUST  
FOUND THE  
BEST!

THINGS  
ARE REALLY  
STARTING TO GET  
INTERESTING  
NOW!

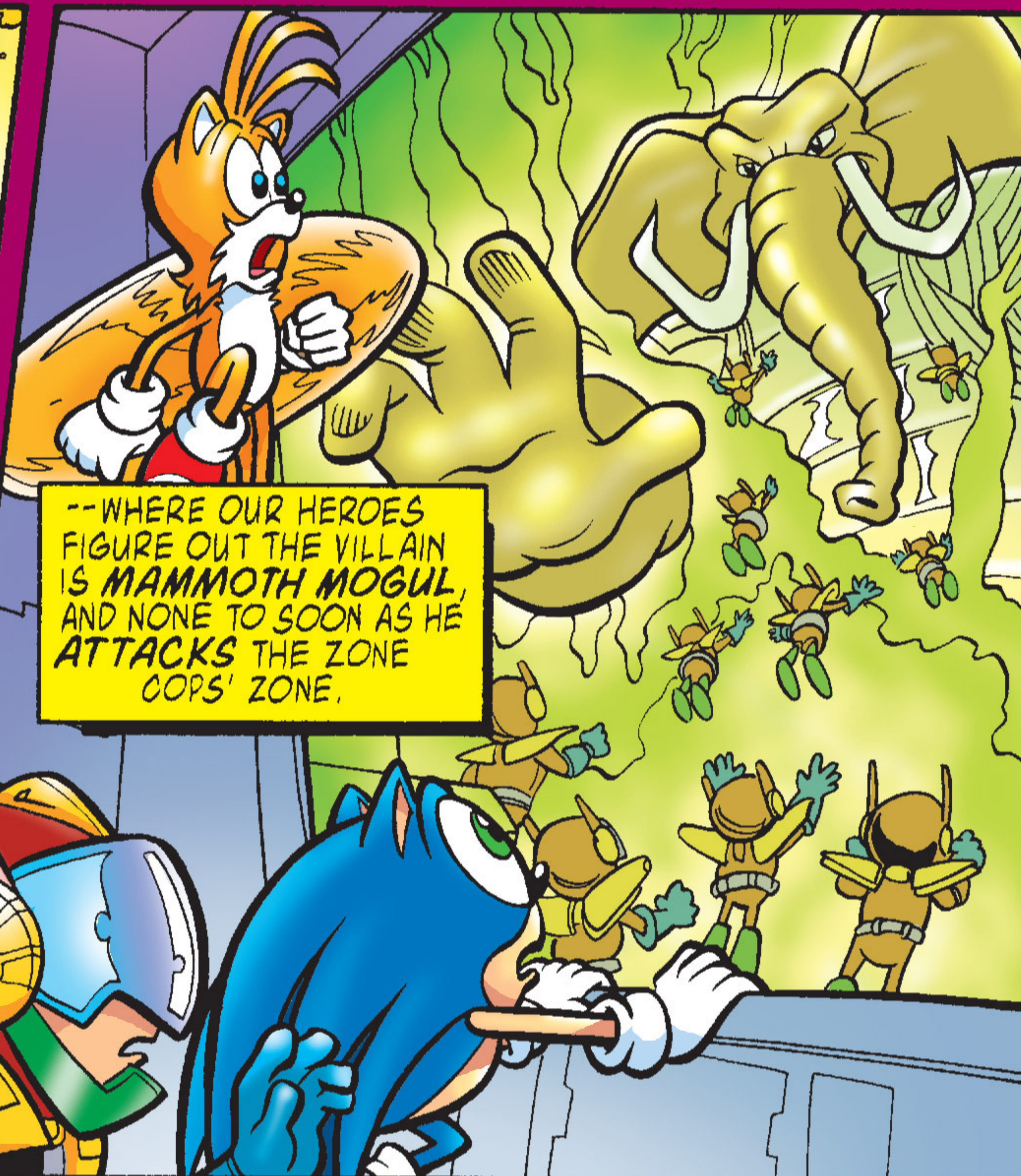
BE HERE NEXT ISSUE FOR  
THE STUNNING CONCLUSION WHEN  
THE ACTION KICKS INTO HIGH GEAR  
WITH THE WILDEST CAPER YET!



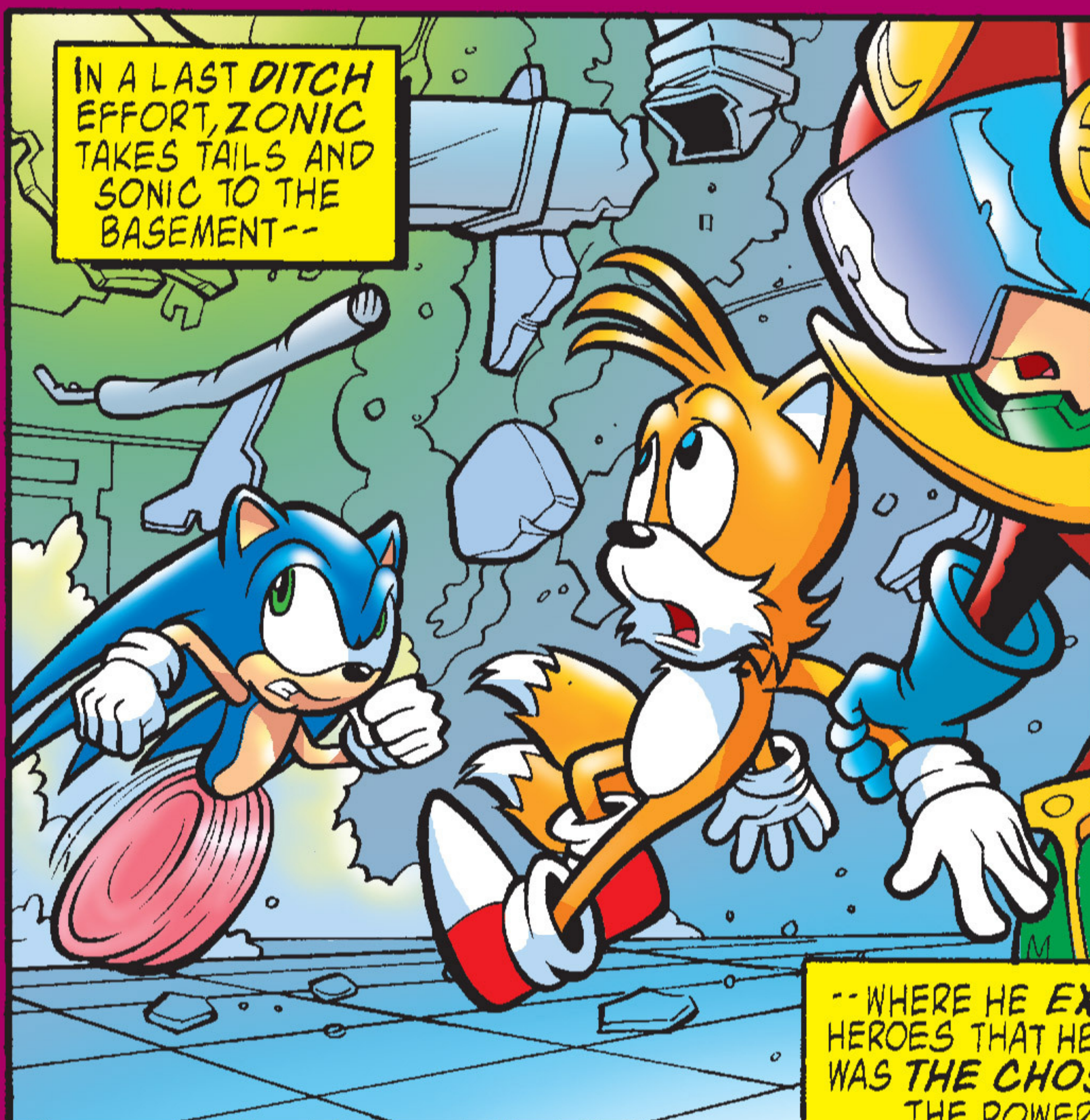
IN OUR LAST EXCITING EPISODE A MYSTERIOUS BEING OF GALACTIC POWERS AND EVIL BEYOND REASON WAS DESTROYING ONE ALTERNATE ZONE AFTER ANOTHER.



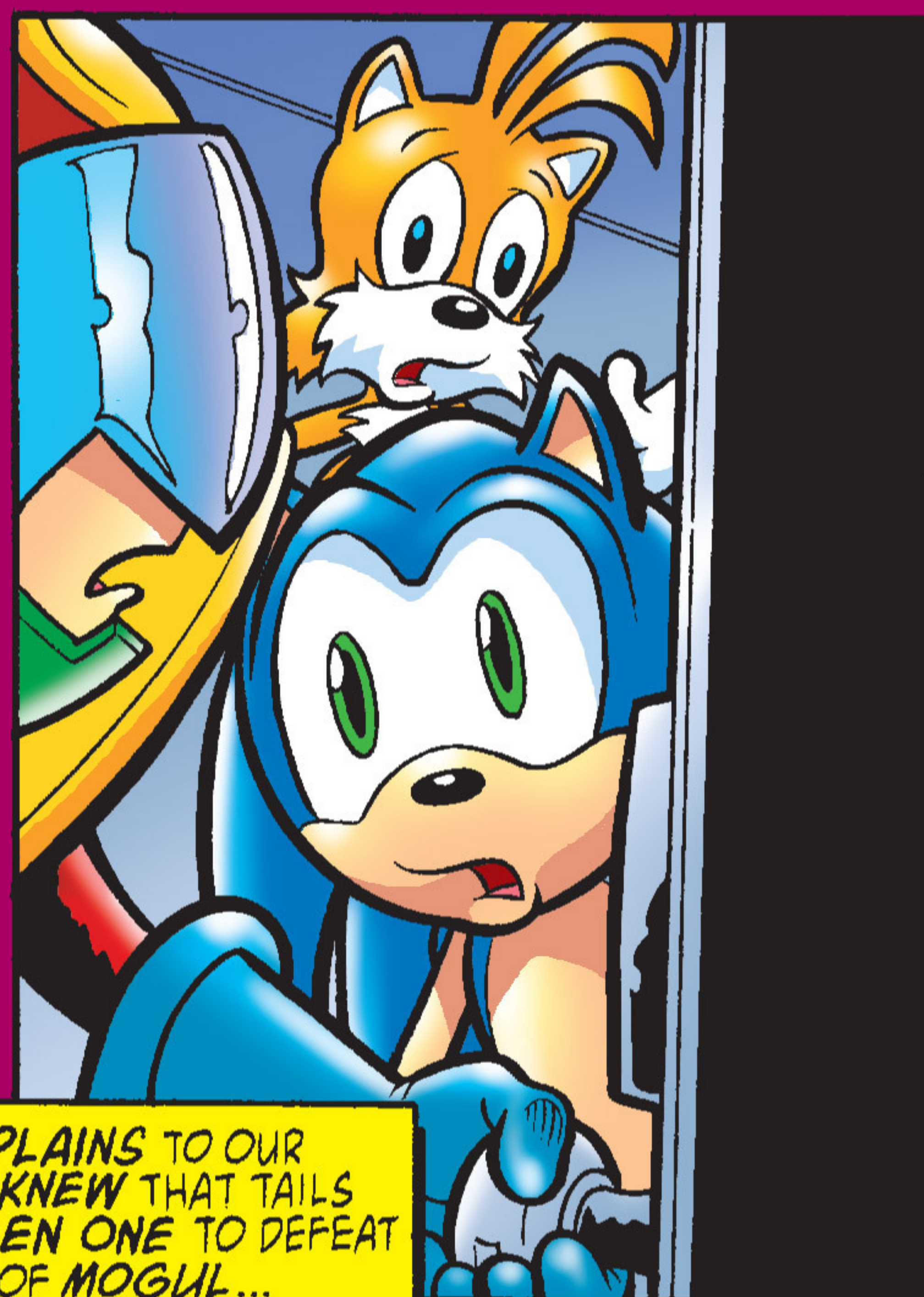
TO HELP BATTLE THIS UNKNOWN NEMESIS, ZONIC RECRUITS TAILS, FOLLOWED BY HIS BUDDY SONIC, AND THEY TRAVEL TO THE PERPENDICULAR ZONE --



-- WHERE OUR HEROES FIGURE OUT THE VILLAIN IS MAMMOTH MOGUL, AND NONE TOO SOON AS HE ATTACKS THE ZONE COPS' ZONE.



IN A LAST DITCH EFFORT, ZONIC TAKES TAILS AND SONIC TO THE BASEMENT --



-- WHERE HE EXPLAINS TO OUR HEROES THAT HE KNEW THAT TAILS WAS THE CHOSEN ONE TO DEFEAT THE POWER OF MOGUL...



# THE CHOSEN ONE PART TWO

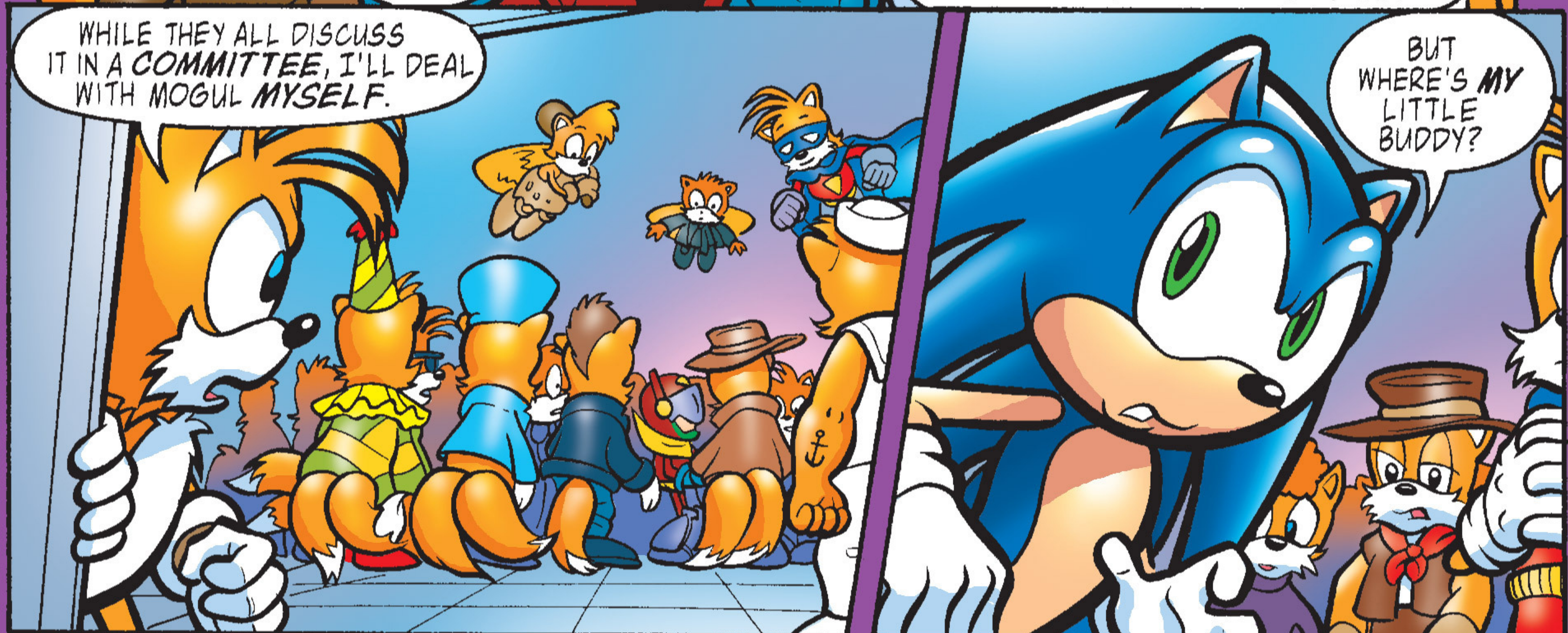
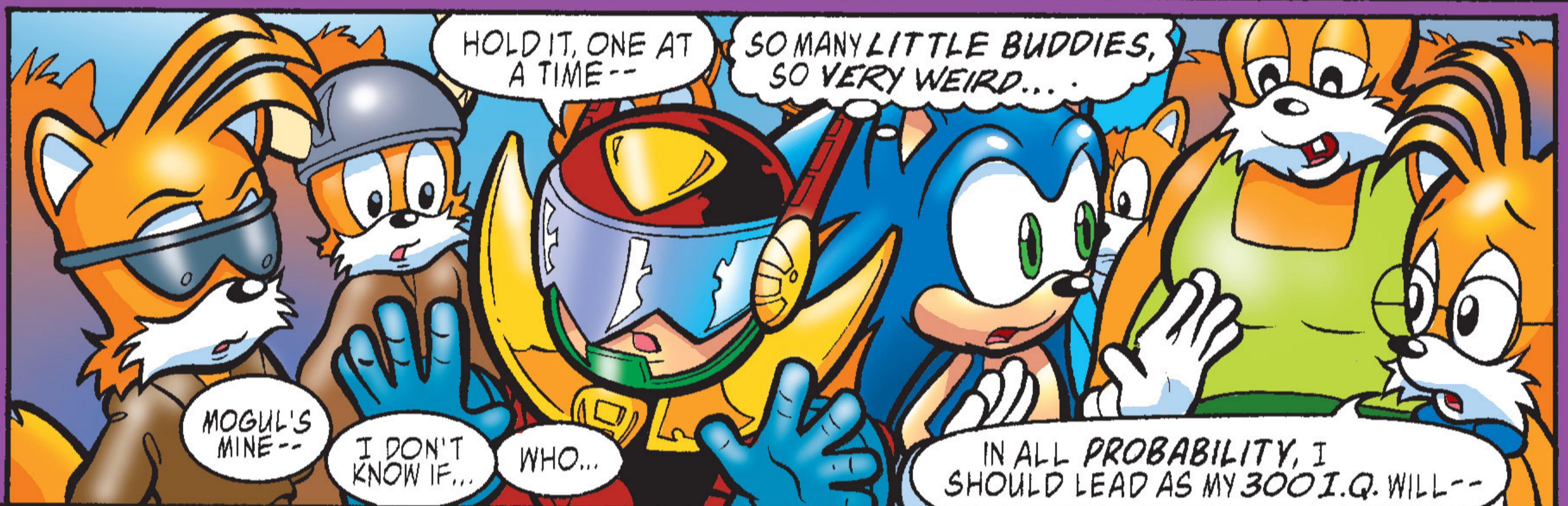
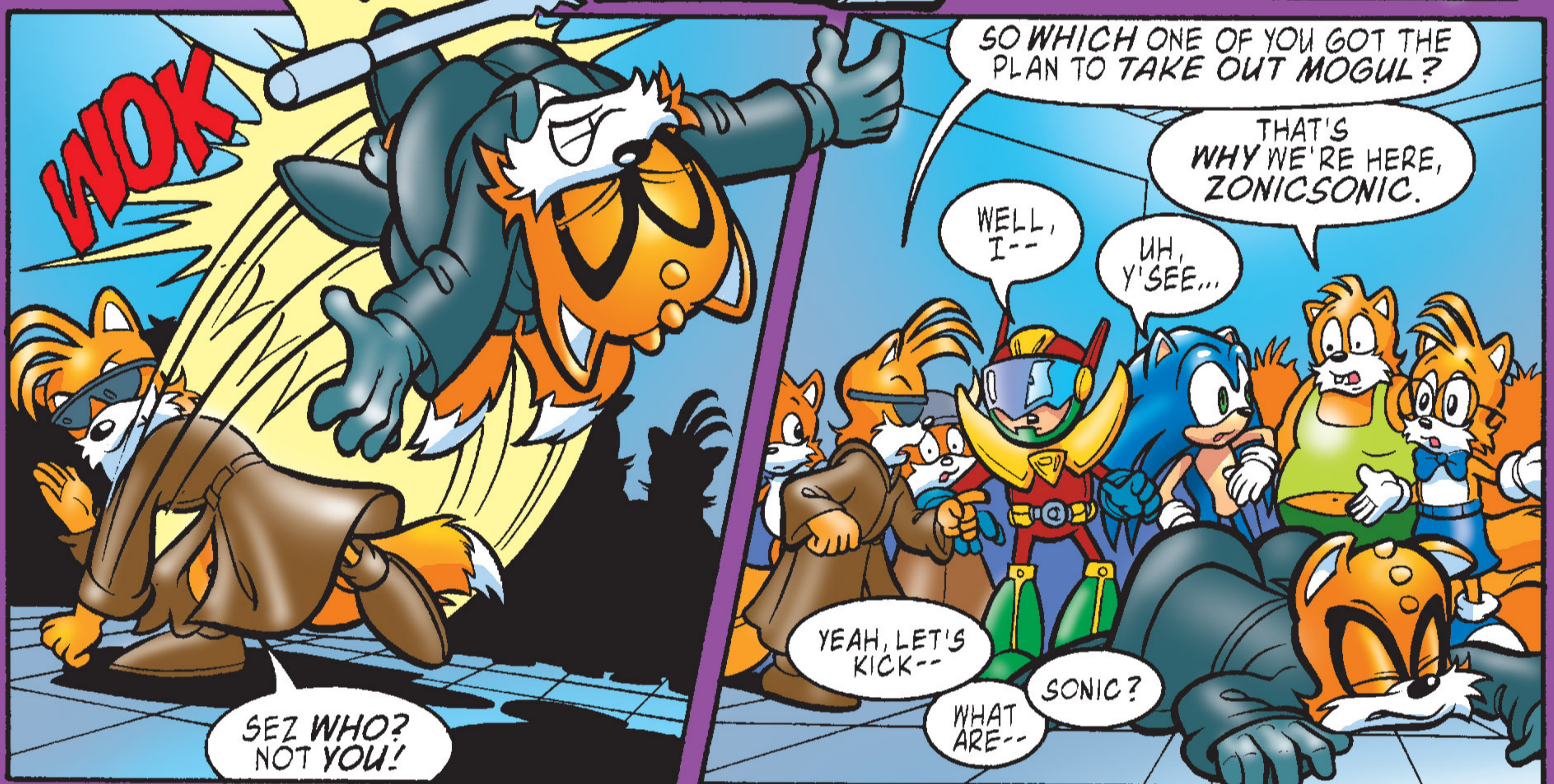
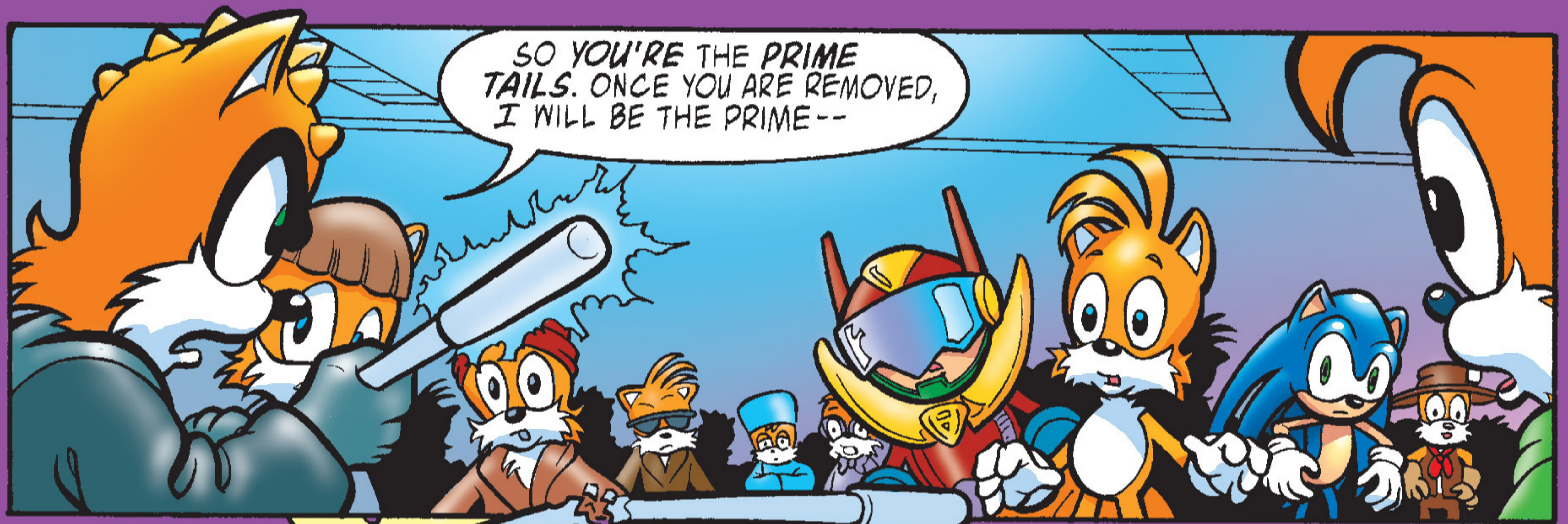
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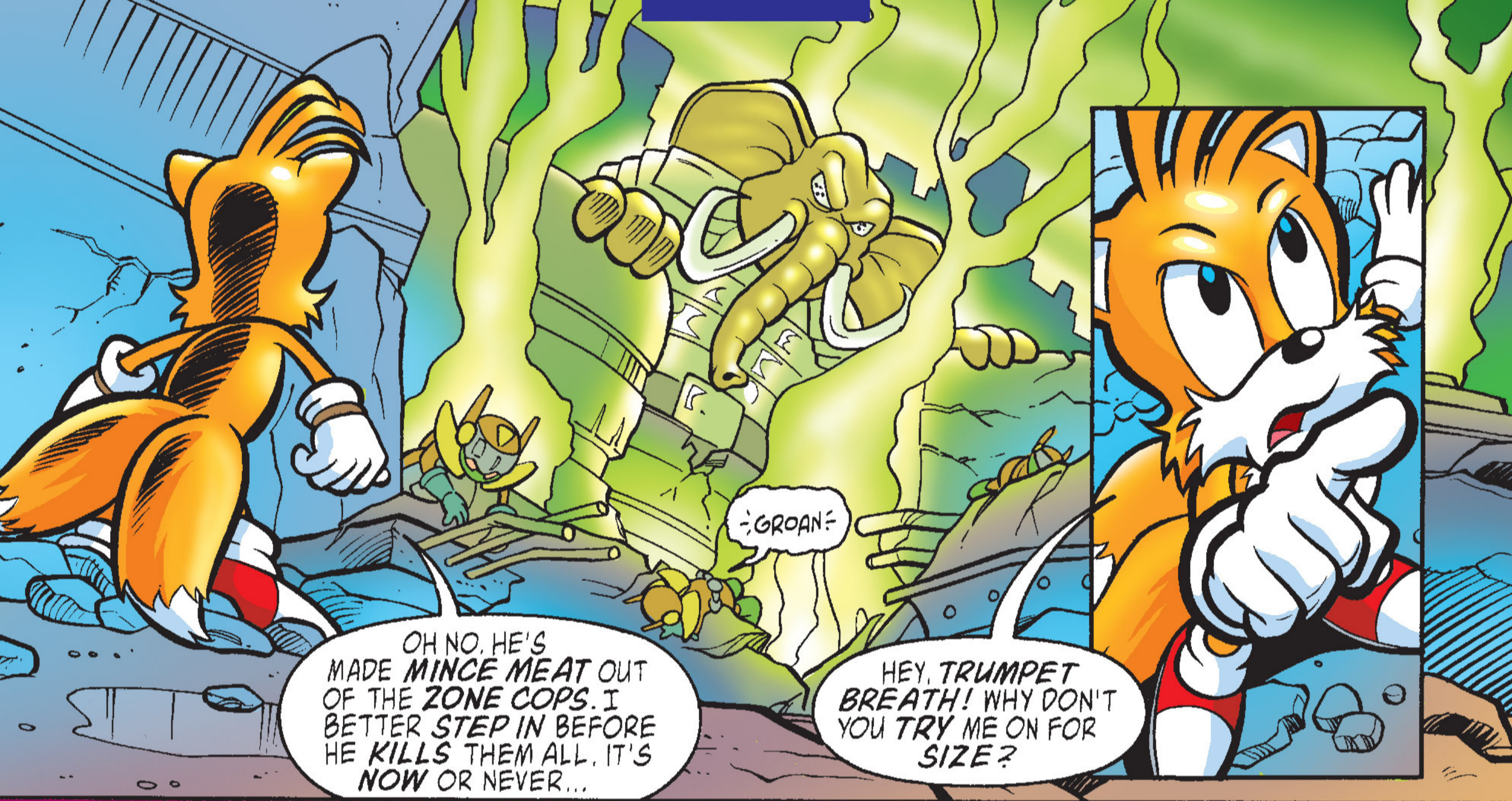
...BUT DIDN'T KNOW WHICH  
TAILS FROM WHICH  
MULTI-VERSE IT WOULD  
BE--

--SO HE RECRUITED  
ALL OF THEM.





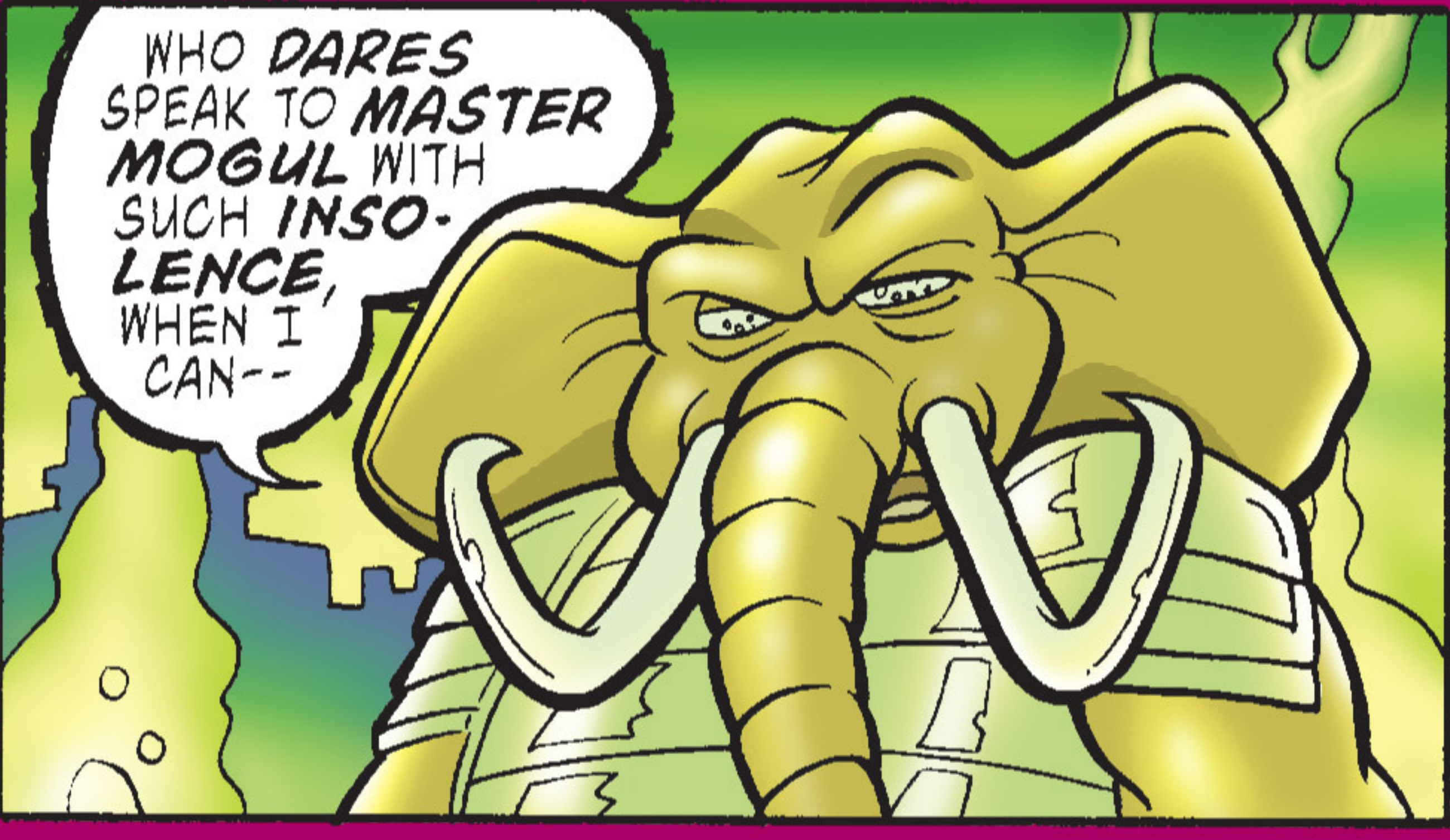




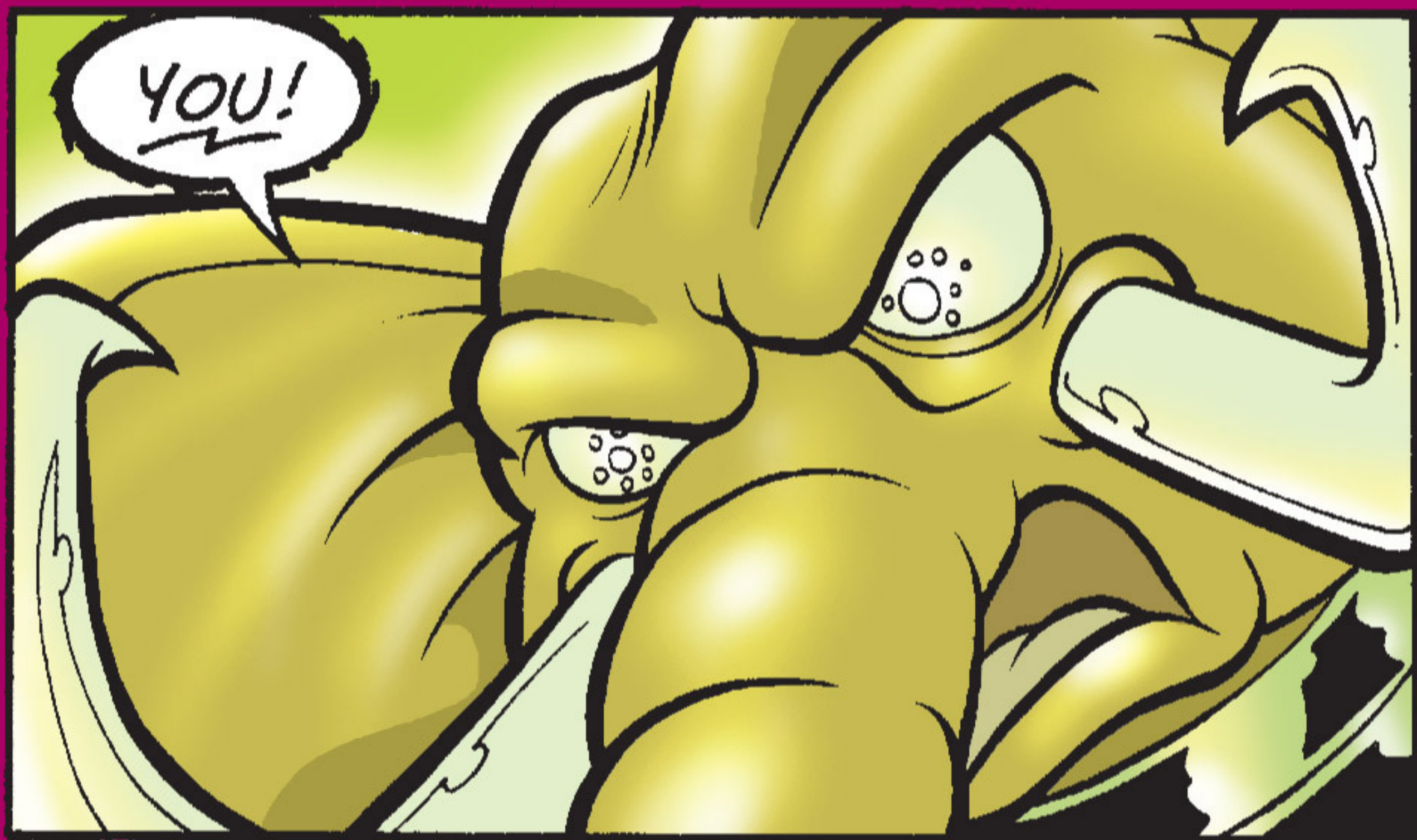
OH NO, HE'S MADE MINCE MEAT OUT OF THE ZONE COPS. I BETTER STEP IN BEFORE HE KILLS THEM ALL. IT'S NOW OR NEVER...

HEY, TRUMPET BREATH! WHY DON'T YOU TRY ME ON FOR SIZE?

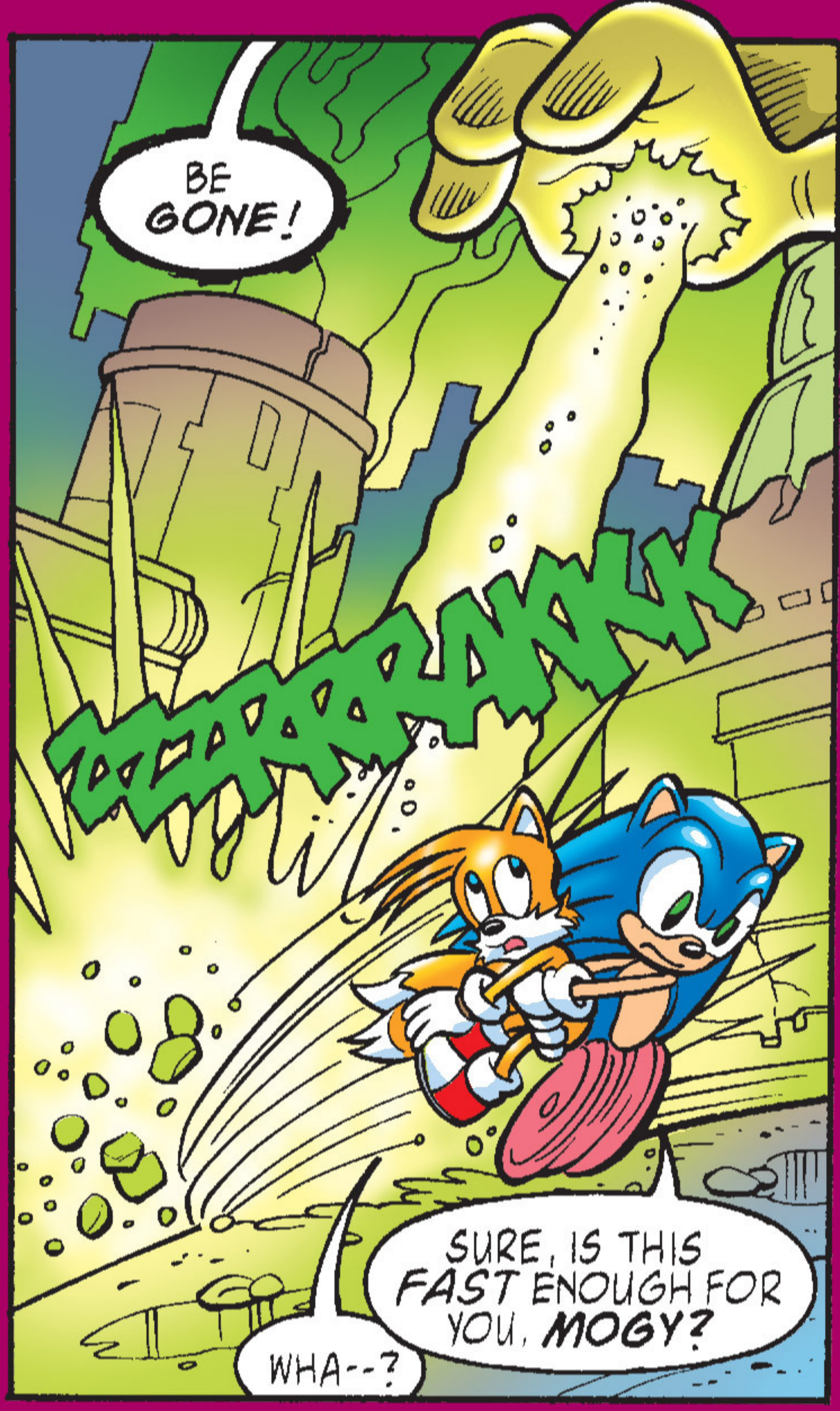
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WHO DARES SPEAK TO MASTER MOGUL WITH SUCH INSOLENCE, WHEN I CAN--



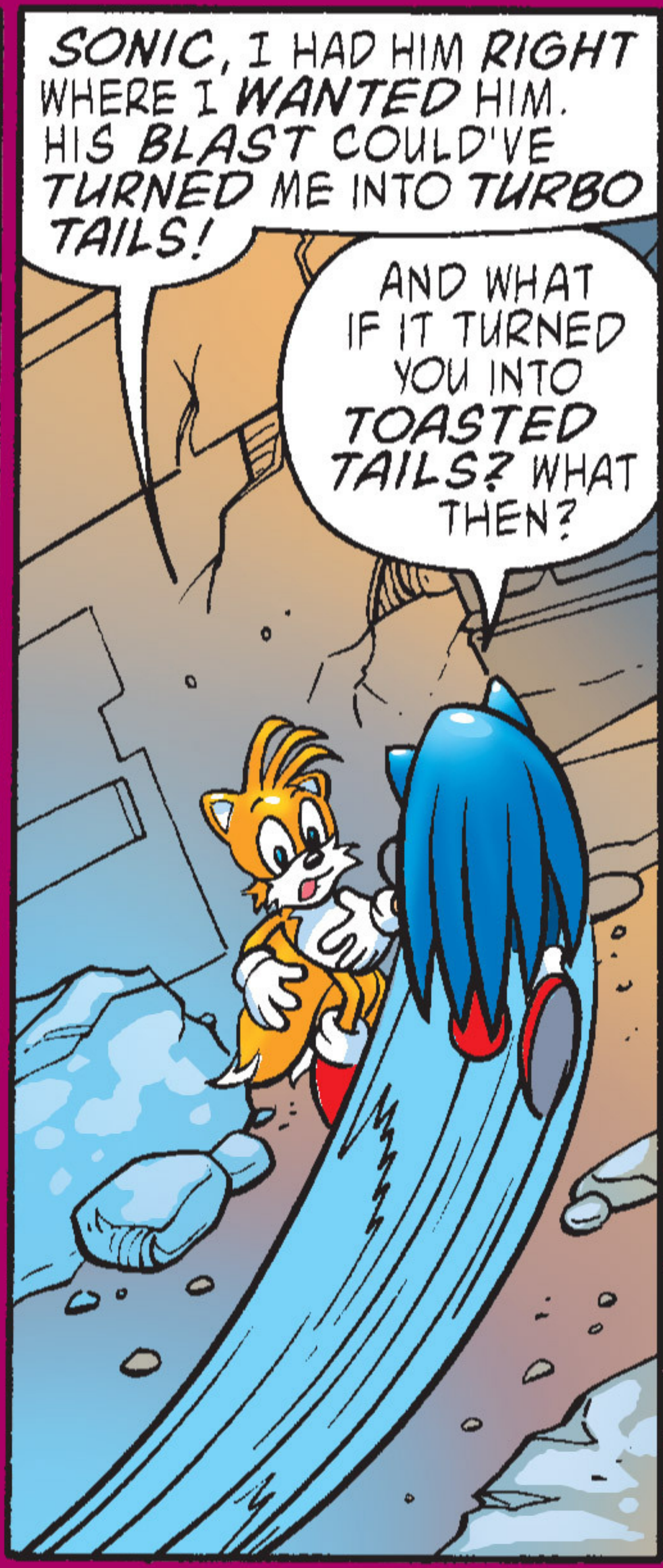
YOU!



BE GONE!

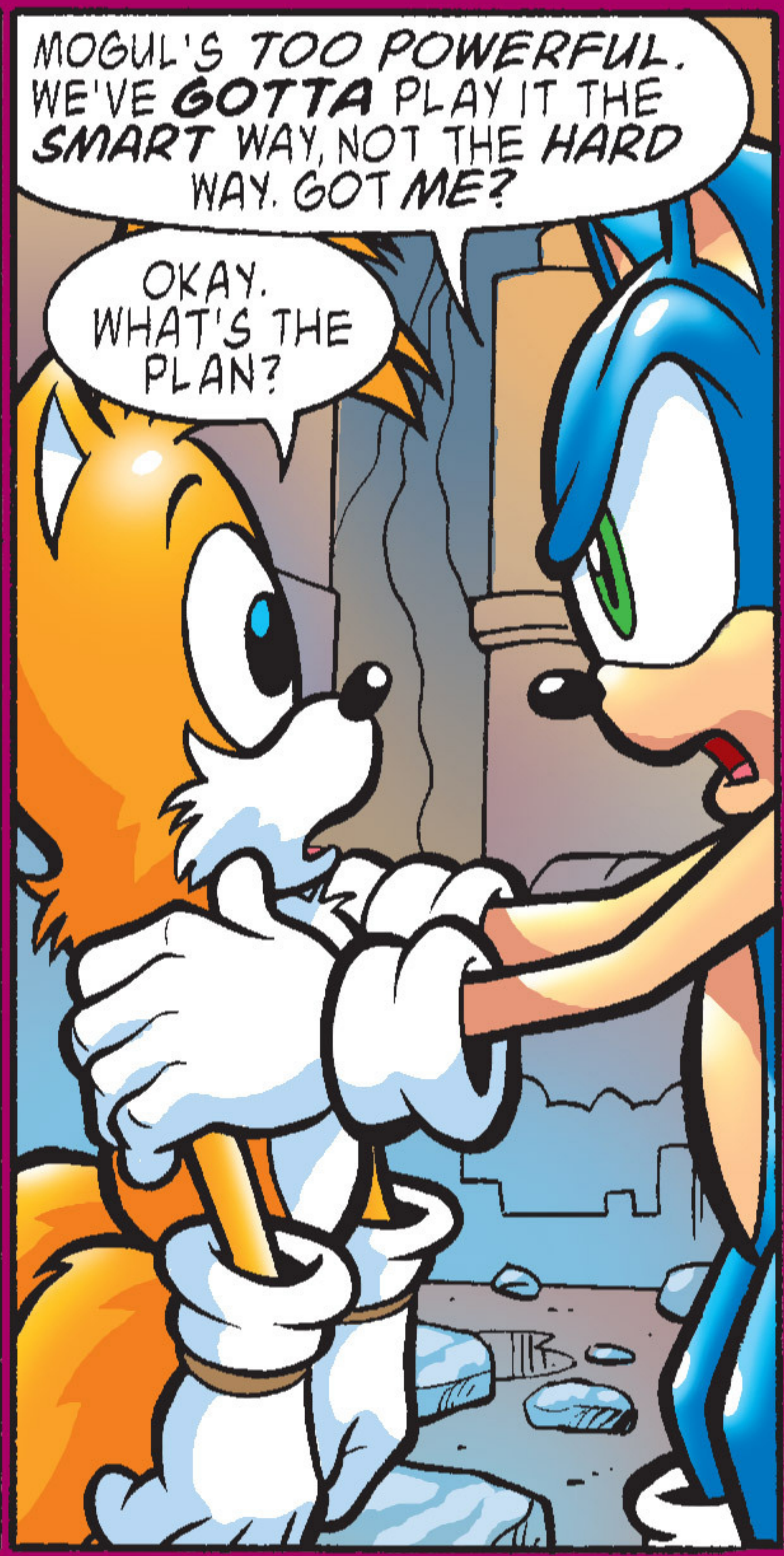
SURE, IS THIS FAST ENOUGH FOR YOU, MOGY?

WHA--?



SONIC, I HAD HIM RIGHT WHERE I WANTED HIM. HIS BLAST COULD'VE TURNED ME INTO TURBO TAILS!

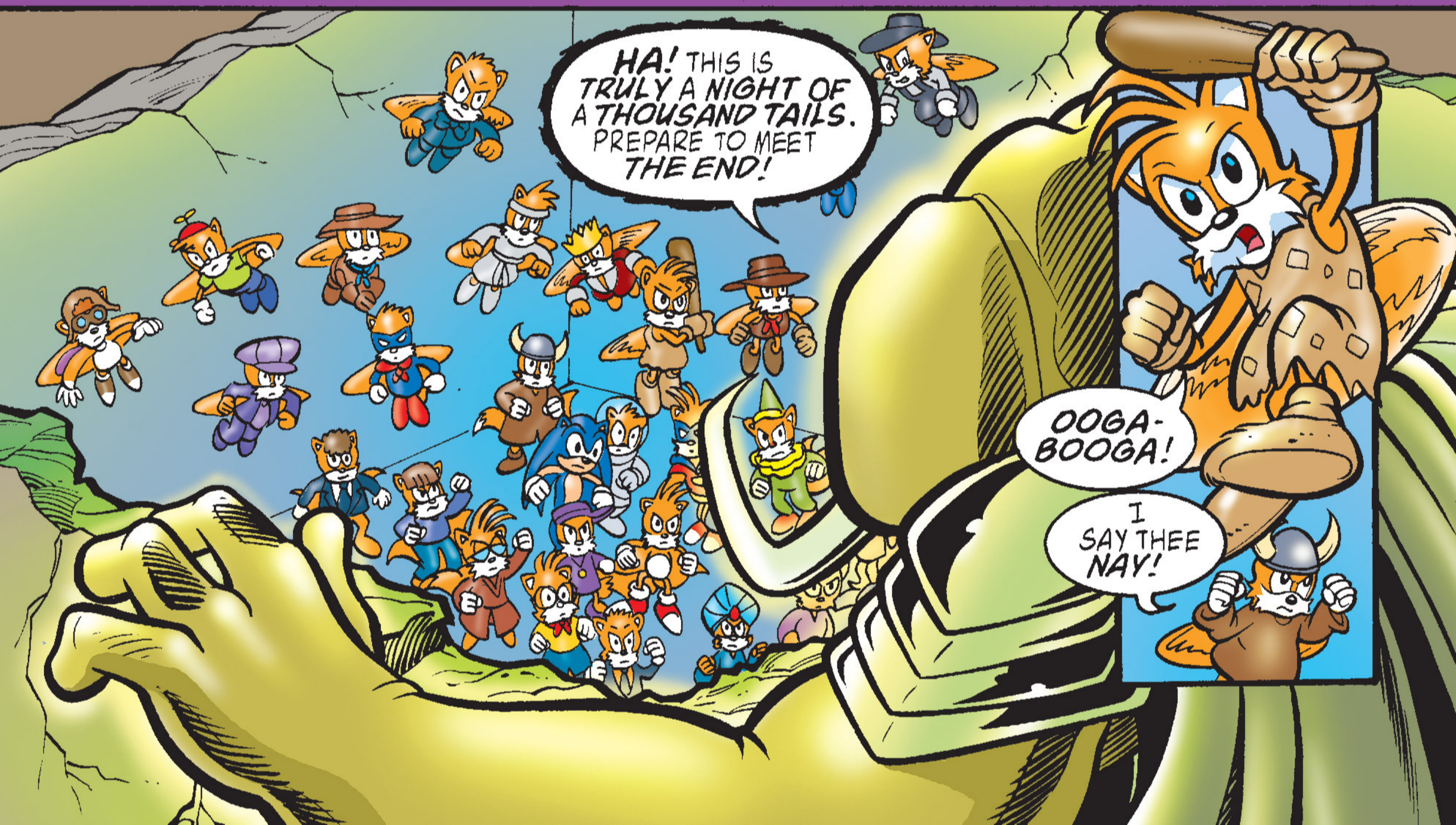
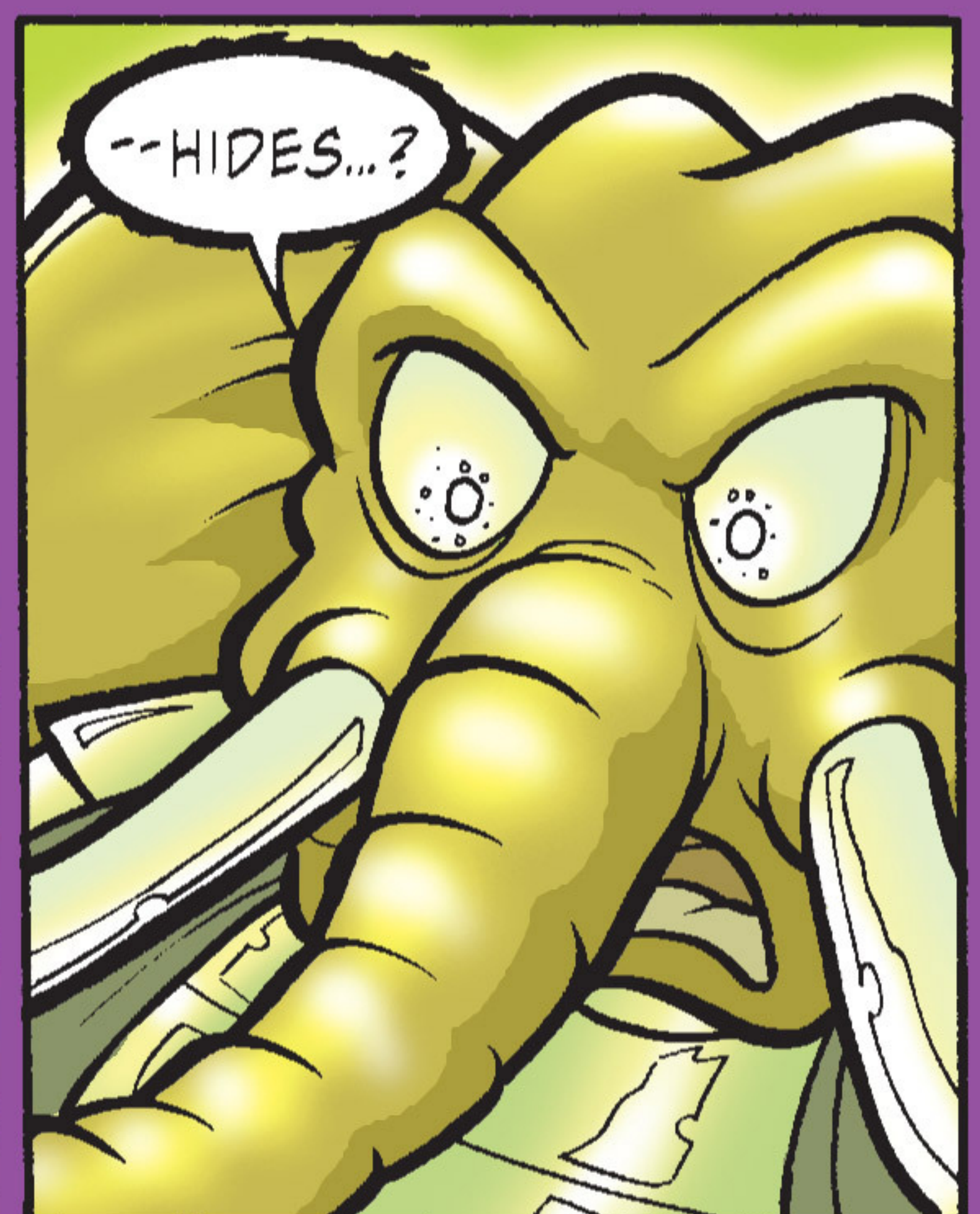
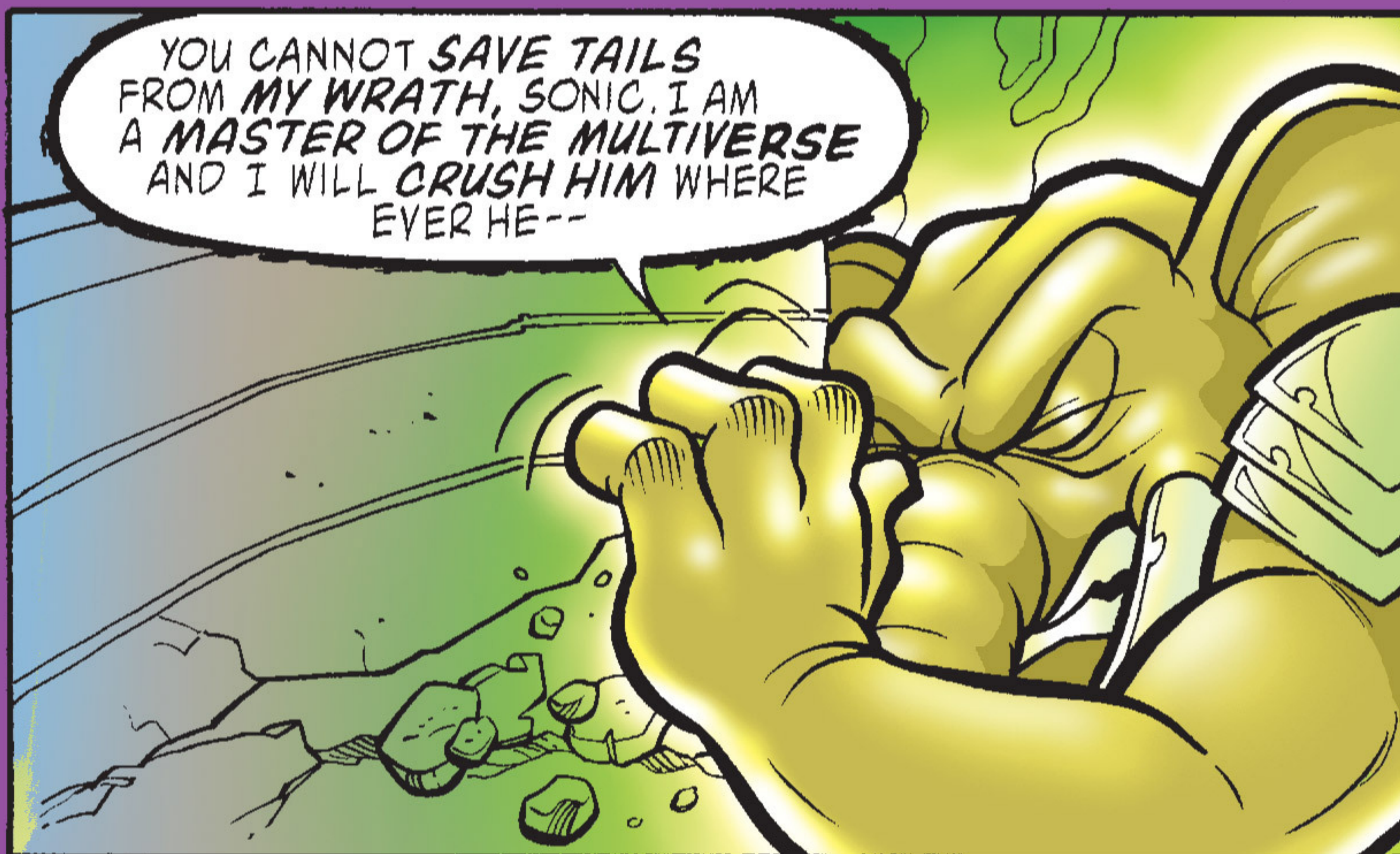
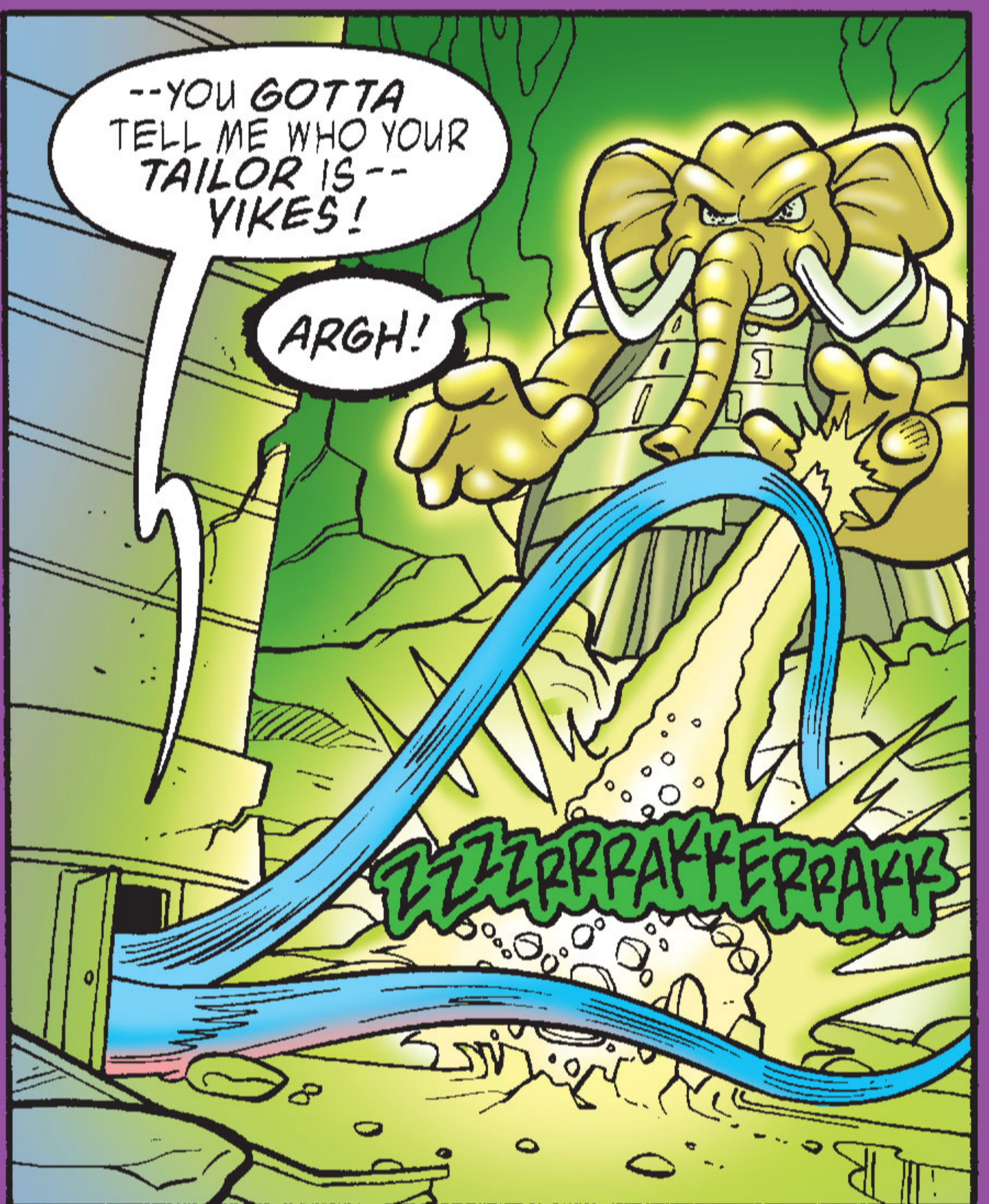
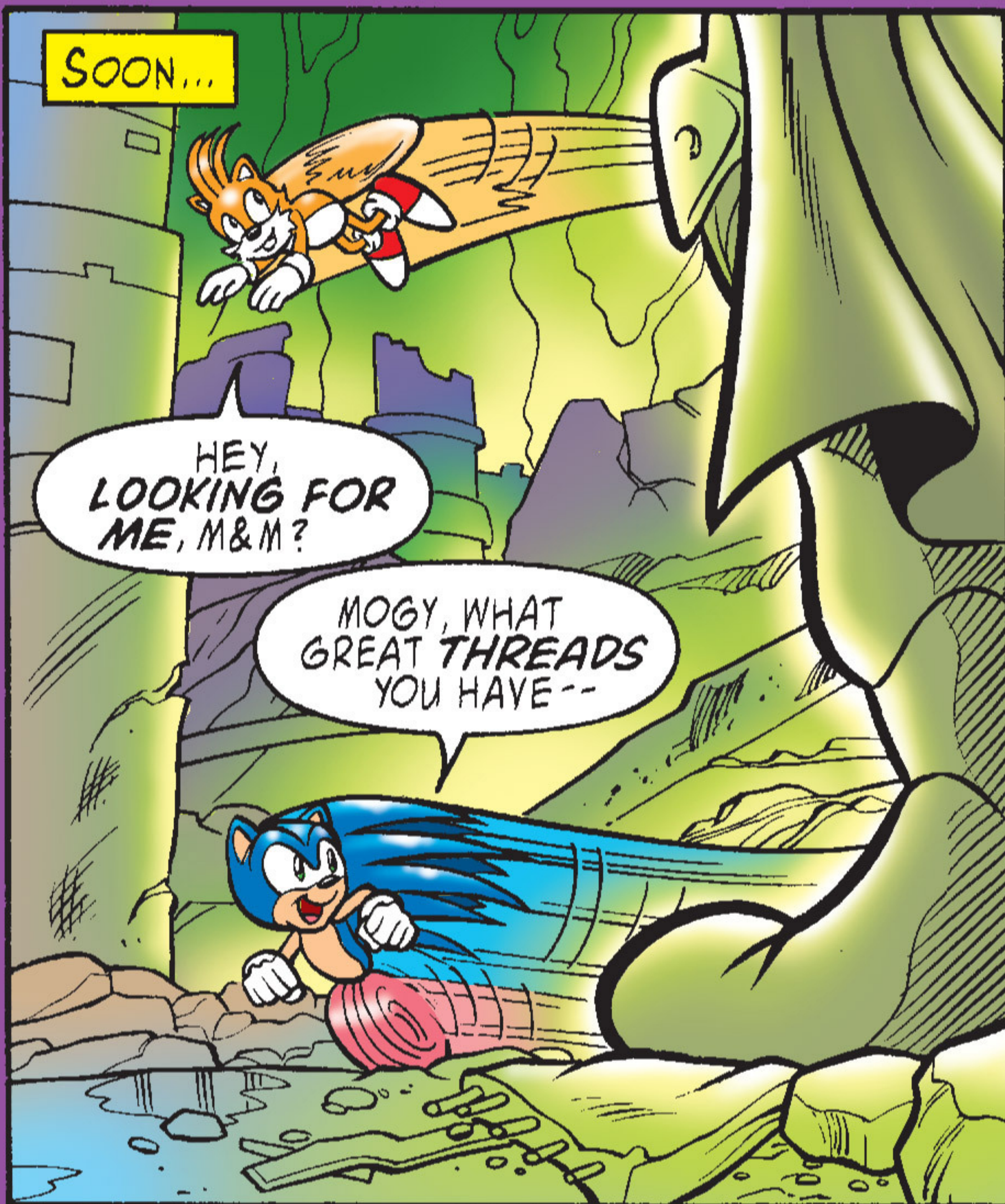
AND WHAT IF IT TURNED YOU INTO TOASTED TAILS? WHAT THEN?



MOGUL'S TOO POWERFUL. WE'VE GOTTA PLAY IT THE SMART WAY, NOT THE HARD WAY. GOT ME?

OKAY. WHAT'S THE PLAN?







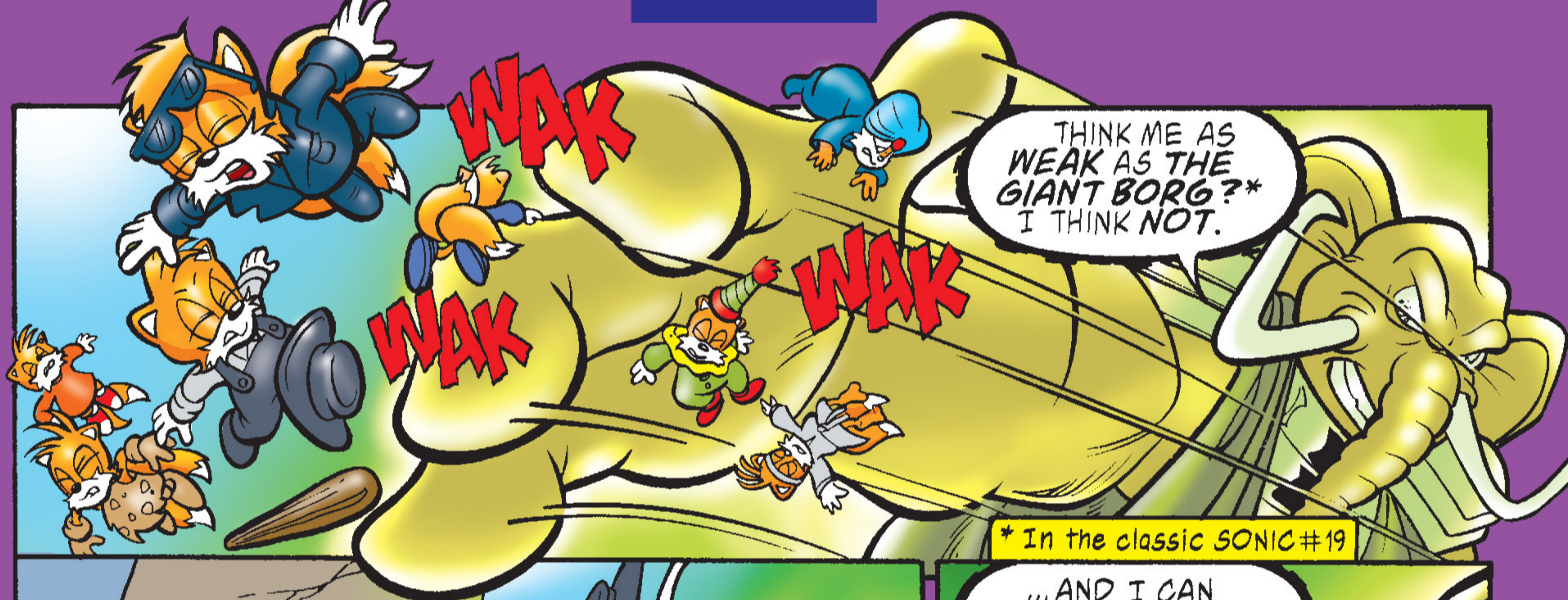


NOW--

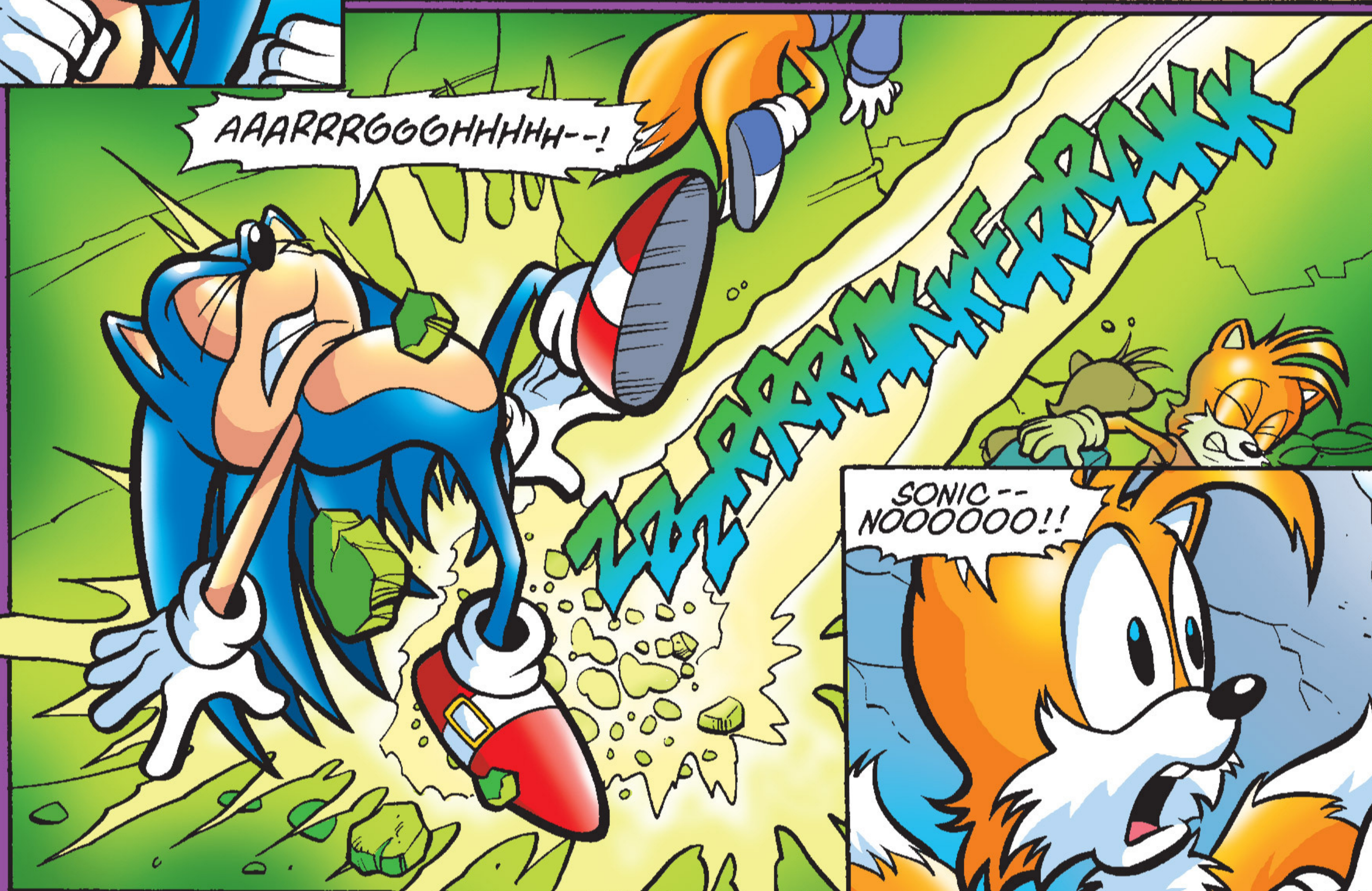
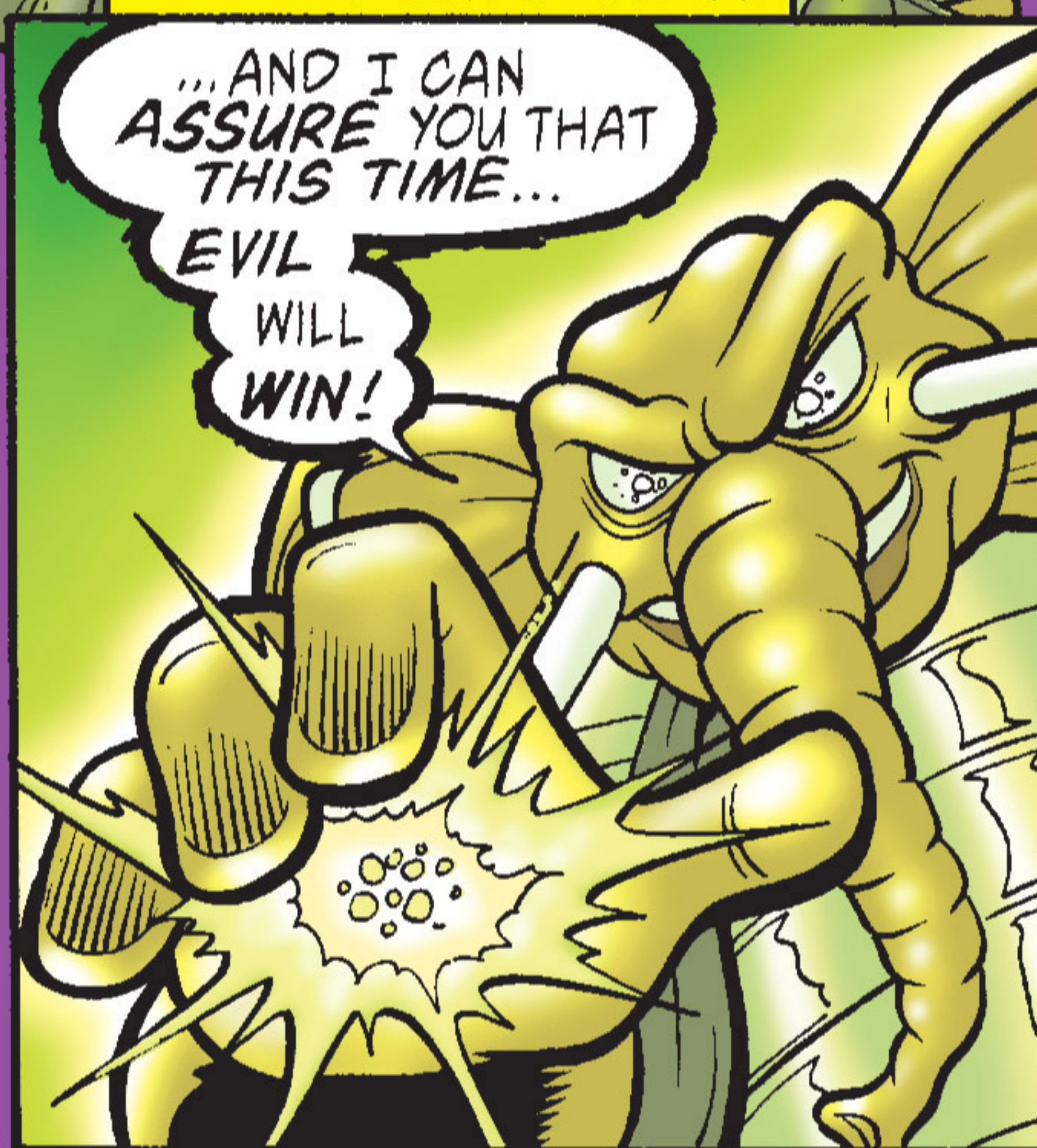
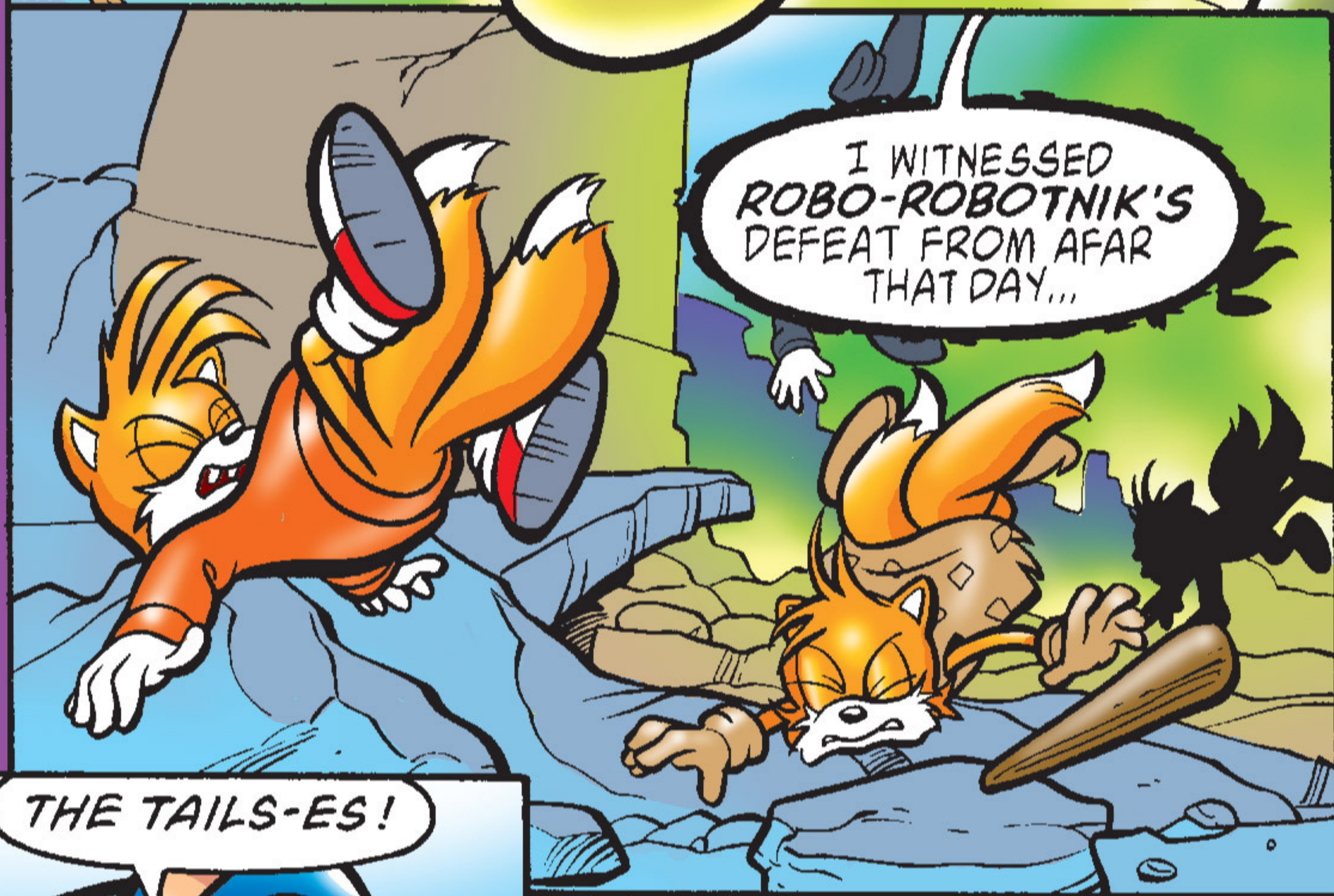
--WHILE  
HE'S OFF  
BALANCE--

--LET'S  
HIT HIM WITH  
EVERYTHING  
WE GOT!!

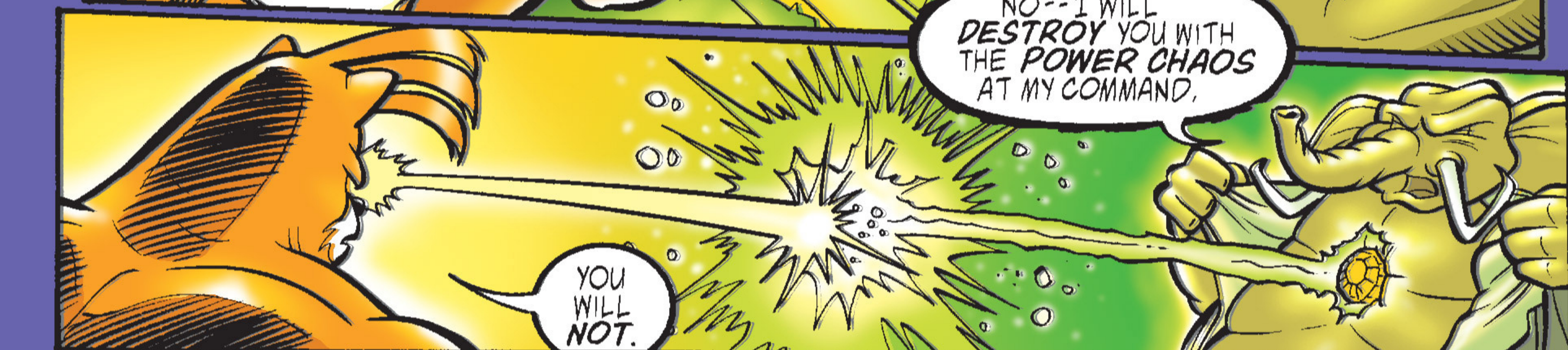
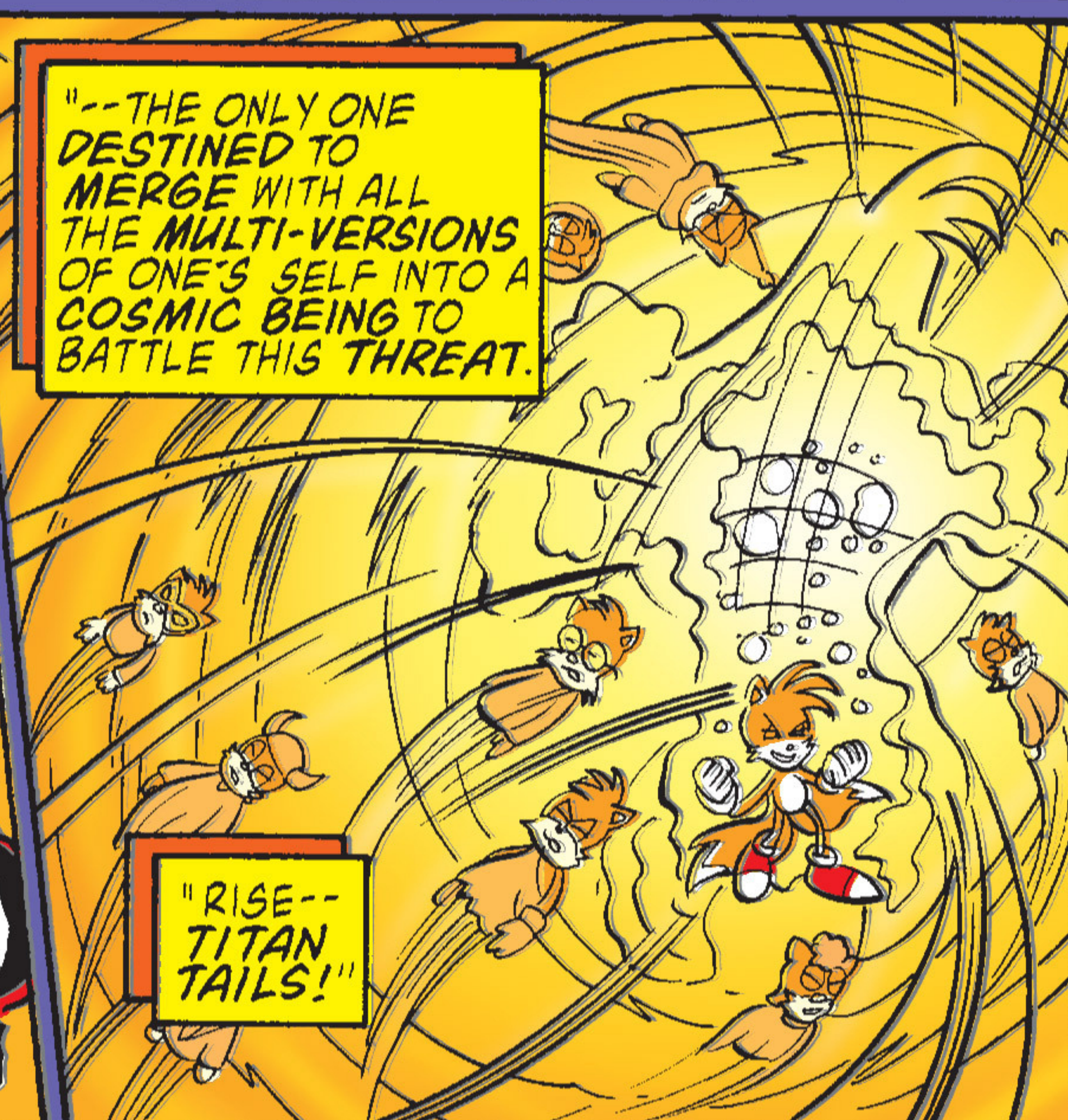
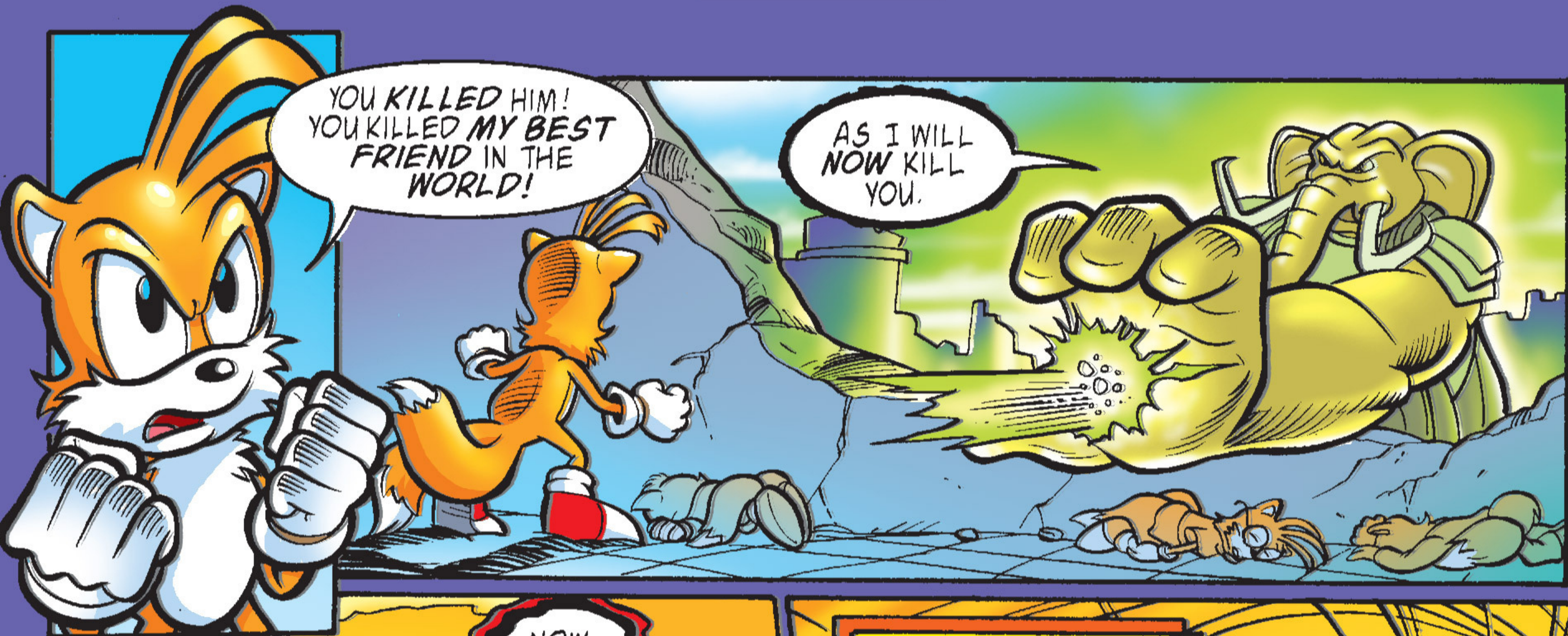




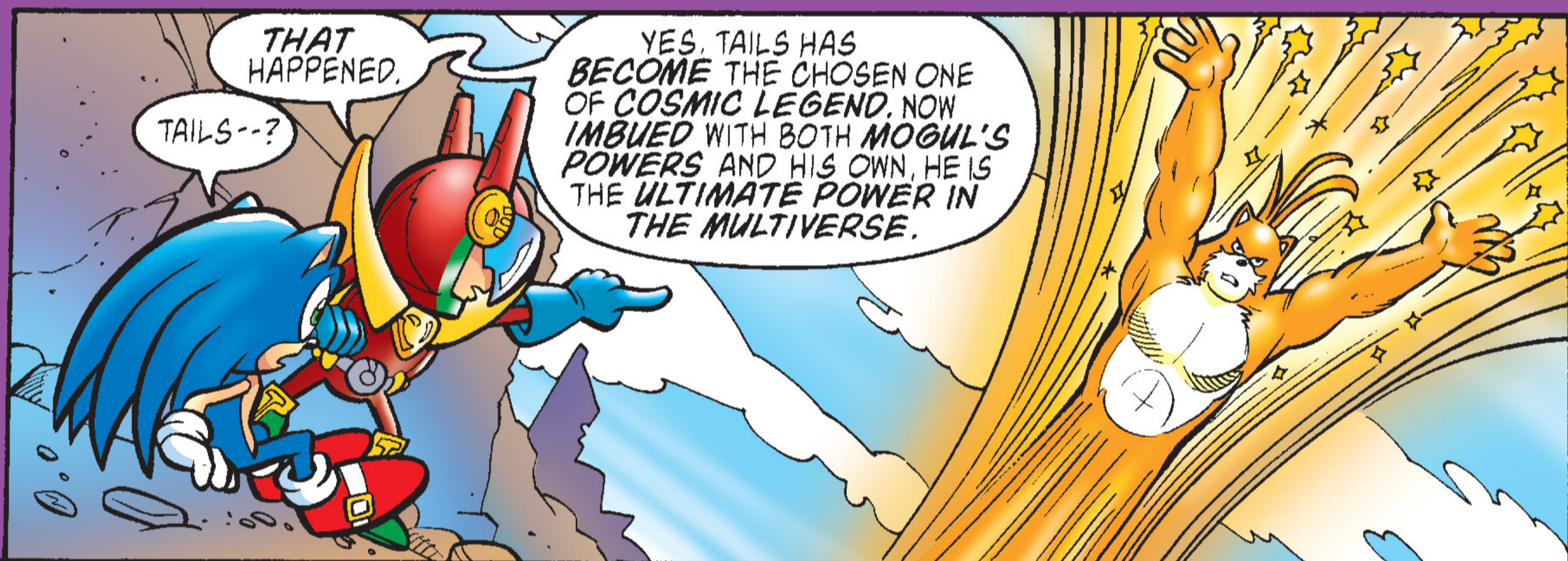
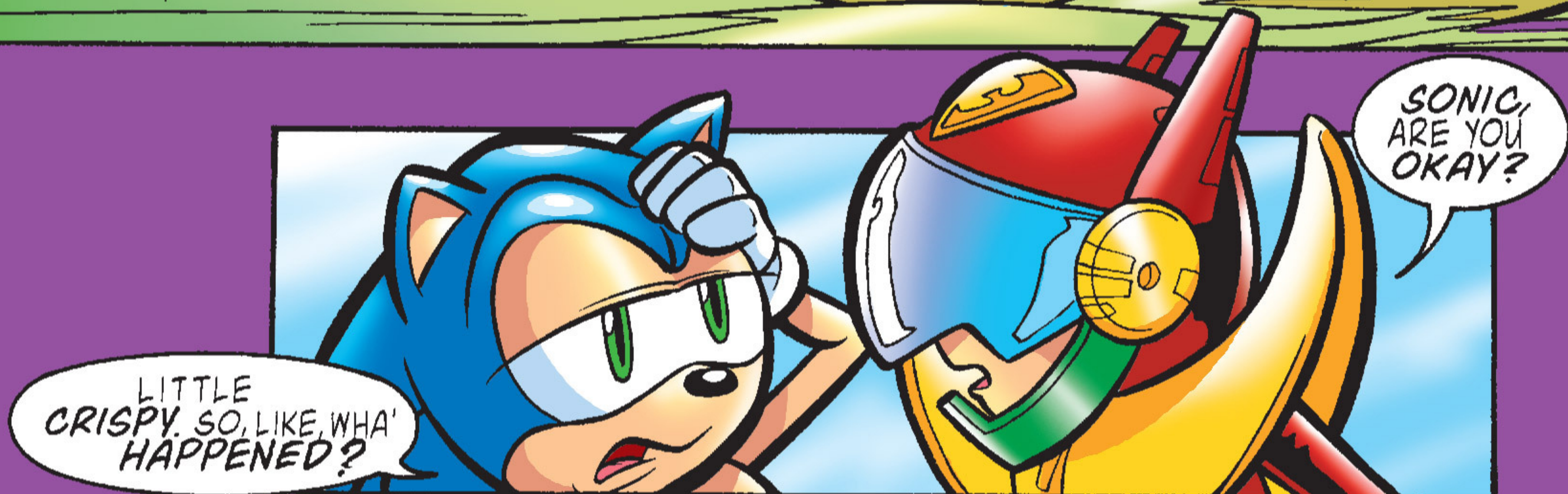
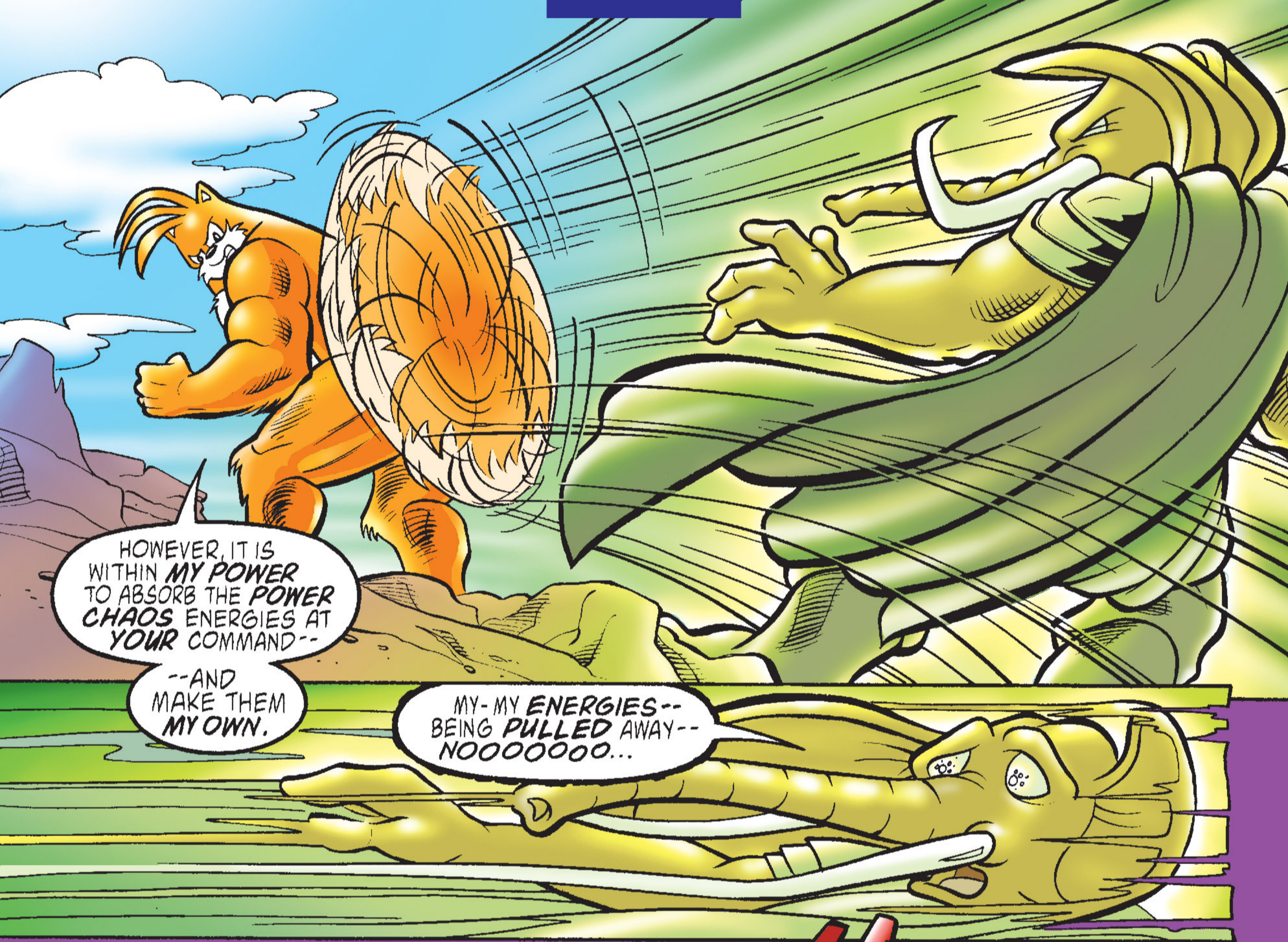
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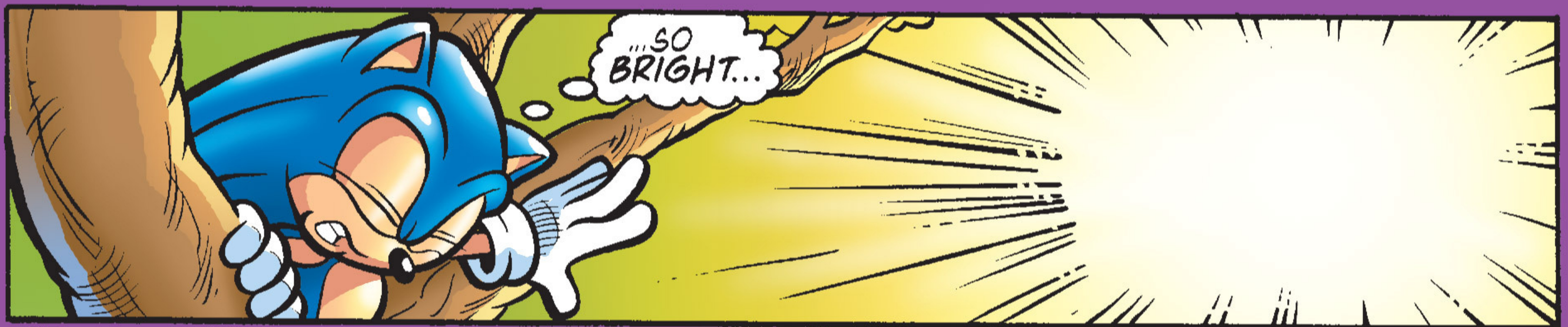




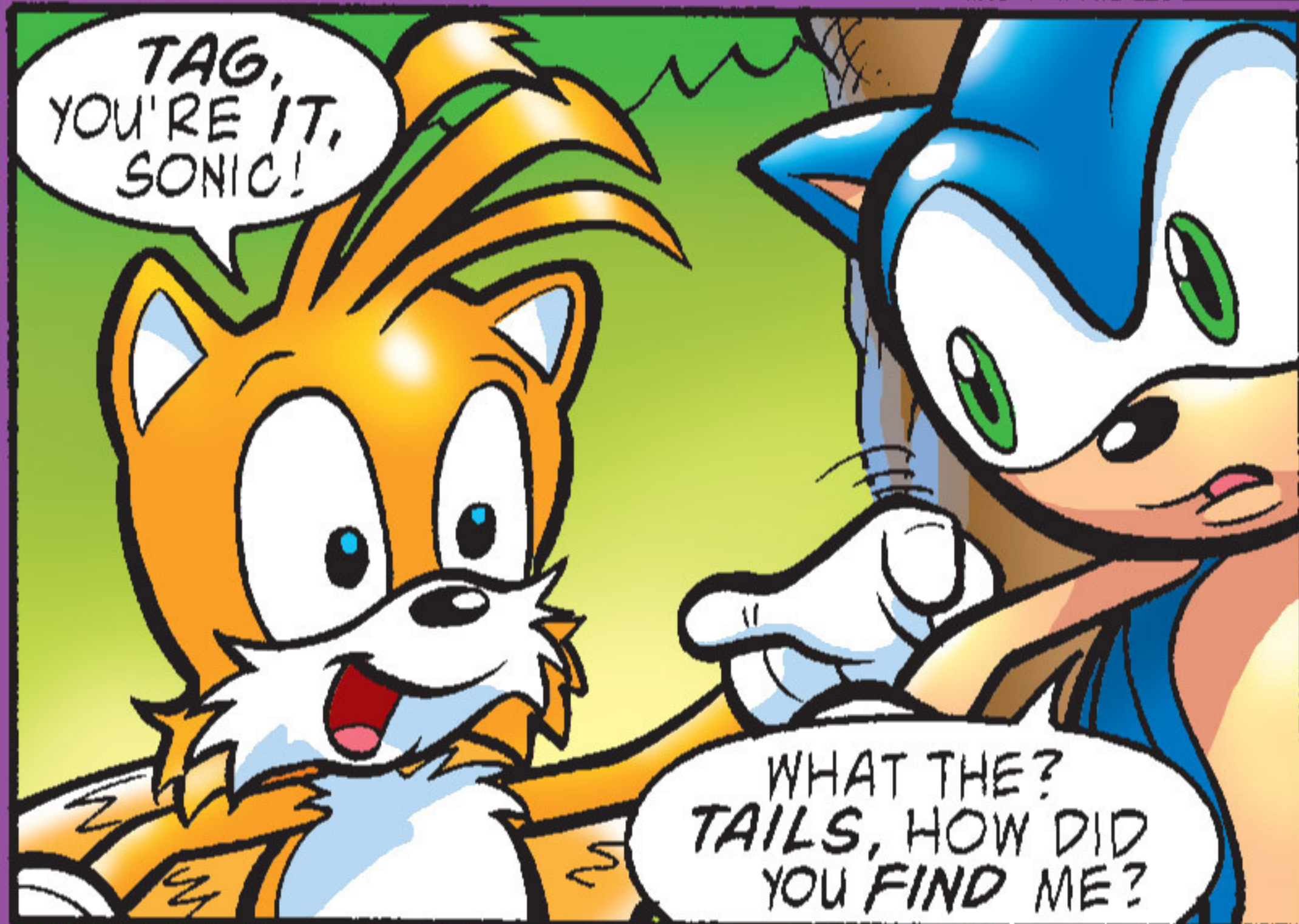






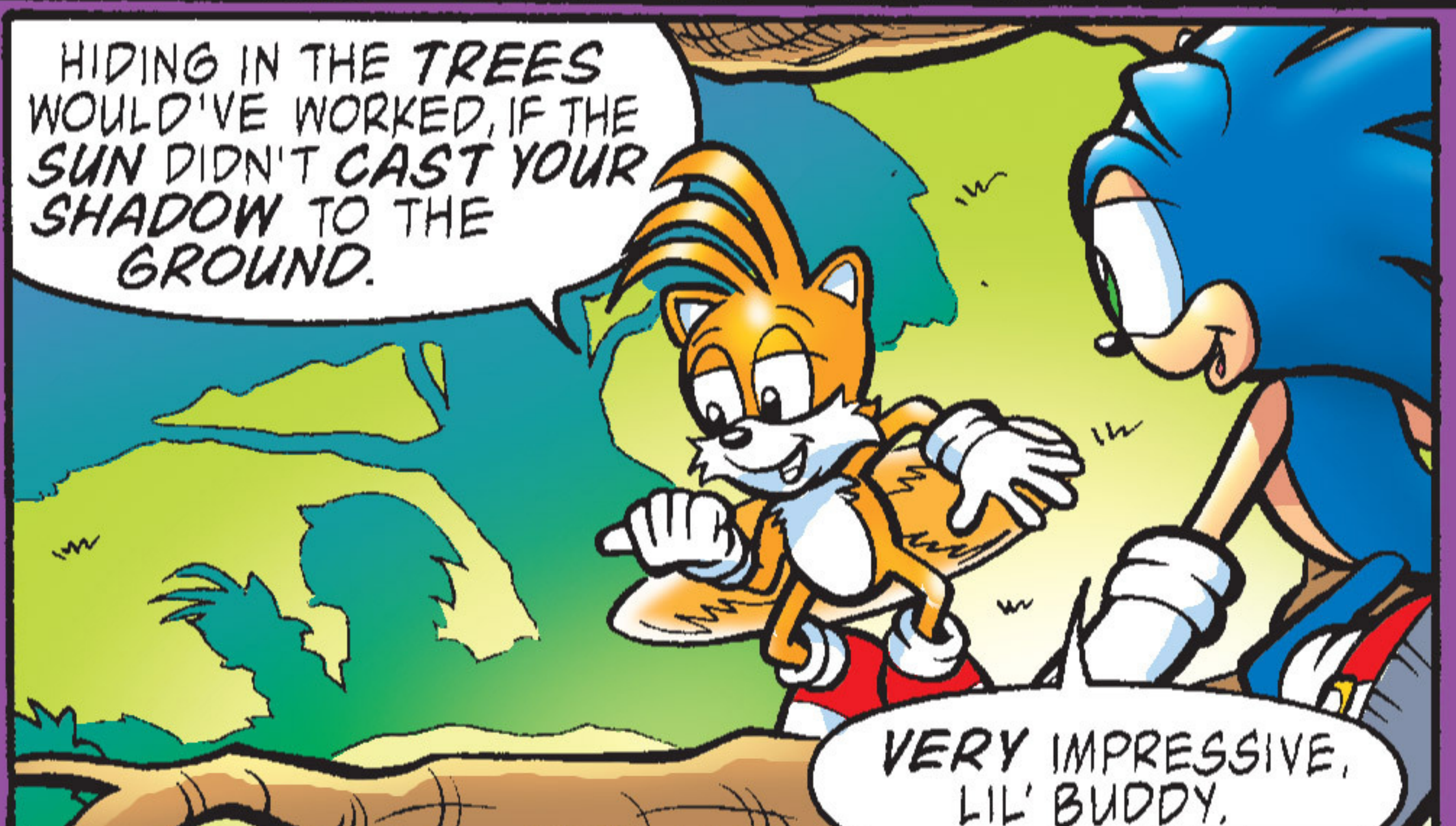


...SO BRIGHT...



TAG, YOU'RE IT, SONIC!

WHAT THE? TAILS, HOW DID YOU FIND ME?



HIDING IN THE TREES WOULD'VE WORKED, IF THE SUN DIDN'T CAST YOUR SHADOW TO THE GROUND.

VERY IMPRESSIVE, LIL' BUDDY.



HOW'S ABOUT CHILI DOGS? MY TREAT.

YEAH!



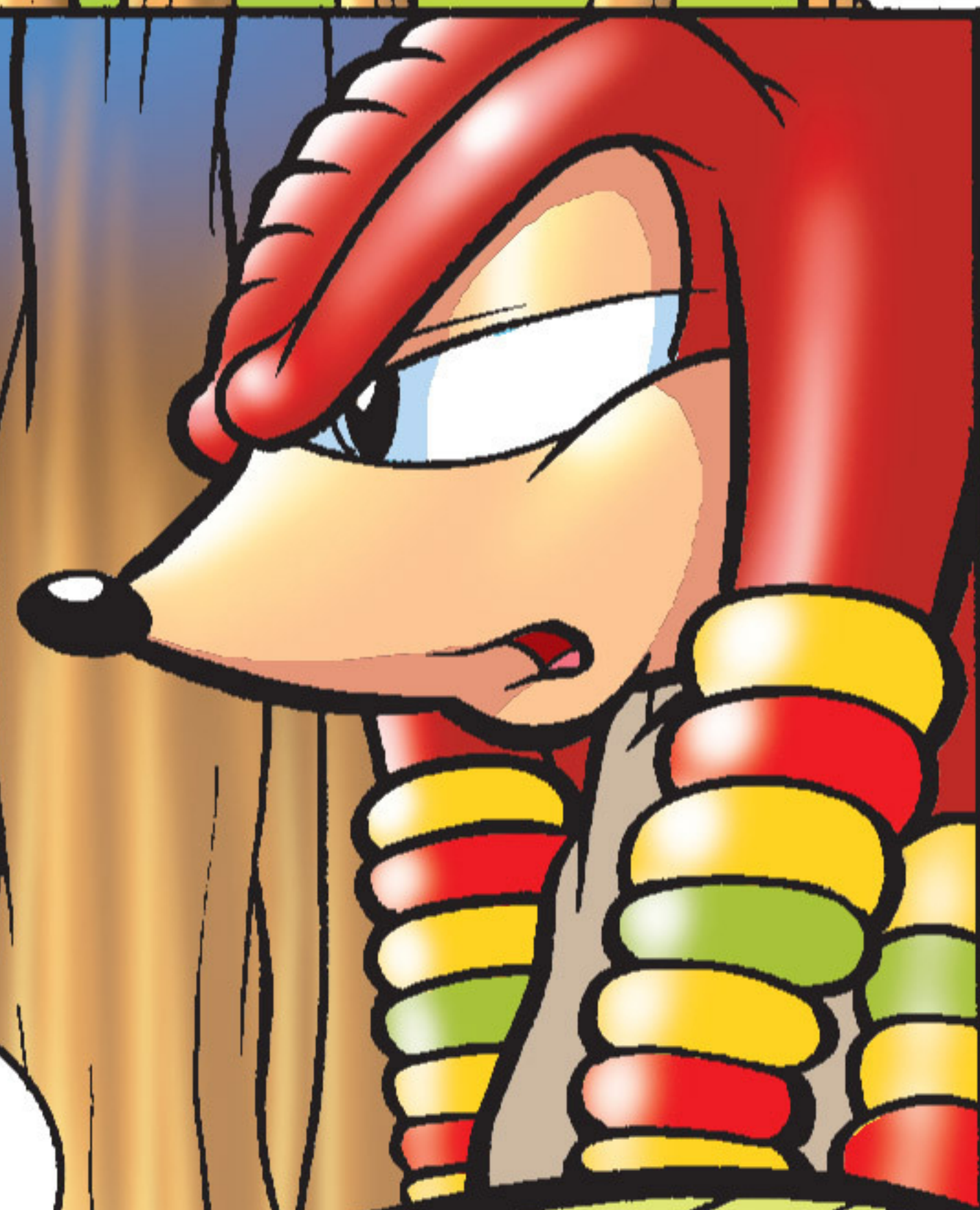
MERLIN PROWER, YOUR NEPHEW IS QUITE AMAZING.

YES, HE IS.



IMAGINE, WITH ALL THE POWER TO SHAKE THE COSMOS--

INSTEAD HE USES IT TO RESTORE EVERYTHING TO ITS PROPER BALANCE AS IF IT NEVER HAPPENED.



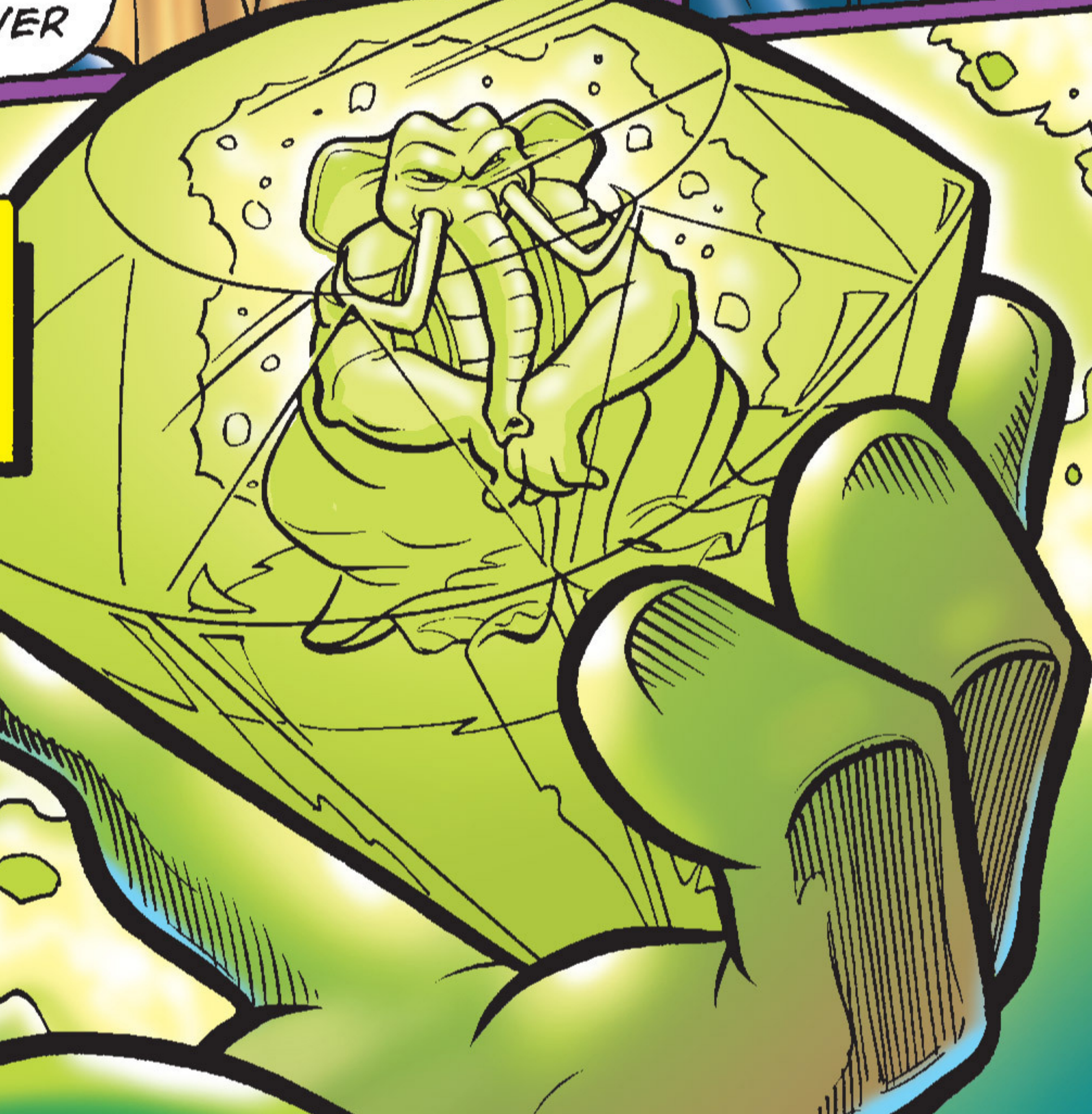
AND NO EVIDENCE EXISTS OF HIS HEROIC DEEDS TO THE MULTI-VERSE.

NO EVIDENCE OF THIS MONUMENTAL EVENT...EXCEPT ONE--

THERE SITS MAMMOTH MOGUL, FORMER MASTER OF THE MULTIVERSE. IMPRISONED IN THE VERY EMERALD THAT LAY IN HIS CHEST FOR CENTURIES.

FINALLY SEPARATED FROM IT, HIS ABILITIES TO ABSORB CHAOTIC ENERGIES ARE GONE.

HE IS COMPLETELY POWERLESS TO DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT...



...EXCEPT HATE THE ONE THAT BEAT HIM.

SOMETHING HE PLANS TO DO UNTIL THE END OF TIME.

The End